

Collegians Urged To Remain in School

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College Y Date Banquet, Dance Jan. 19

DON WILHELM IS TOASTMASTER

Martin Lewis

The College Y club announces that it will hold the annual formal Date Banquet and dance on Tuesday, January 19 instead of later in the spring since many of the members will soon be leaving for military service.

The banquet in the YMCA banquet room, is open only to members, alumni and their dates, but everyone is invited to attend the informal dance after the dinner in the Y gymnasium from 9 to 12 p. m. Tickets will be 88 cents a couple and may be purchased at the door.

The date, Tuesday, January 19, was selected because it is the last day of final examinations and will give students a chance to celebrate after passing their exams.

Plans for the banquet are not complete as yet, but Don Wilhelm will act as toastmaster, while George Pacioni is general chairman of the whole affair. Allan Anderson is decorations chairman for the banquet and James Hickey is in charge of decorations for the dance.

Roy Gordon's orchestra has been engaged to furnish music for the dance, which may be one of the last school dances some college students may attend before leaving school.

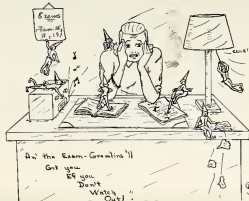
JC BOX SOCIAL NEXT FRIDAY

Jayne Pohl

The annual JJC box social will be held in the girls' gym January 21 at 4:30. It was announced by William Roth and Mary Jayne Pohl, co-chairmen of the affair. Seniors are invited to attend the dance which begins at 8 o'clock. They may obtain their tax tickets from Mr. Yaggy in the college office. No other admission will be charged.

According to Mary Jayne Pohl, one of the chairmen, the committee has planned a schedule for the evening's events that will insure there being never a dull moment. The schedule is given below:

4:30-6:00 Sports
6:00-8:30 Auction of Boxes
8:30-9:00 Supper
9:00-11:00 Dance to Roy Gordon Music



Some Resolutions Worth Our Keeping

Betty Feltberg

Resolutions again! Last year's weren't exactly easy to keep. It's the same routine every year. You discover a few things that you've been

OUR RESOLUTION: To think less of US And more of U.S.

(A worthy resolution for everyone writes by Fikler McGee)

deing that perhaps in the next year you should resolve not to do. This year JJC students have resolved to study harder, to go to bed early, to stop eating candy, or to try to control that awful temper.

This year more than ever, a serious note has been added to the annual procedure of making resolutions.

Just in case you haven't made any resolutions or the ones that you did make have already been broken, The Blazer recommends for all of us the following resolutions:

1. To cooperate with superiors and to realize the seriousness of the present situation.

2. To keep traditions and other changes in living routine cheerfully and to understand that they are necessary.

3. Not to help spread rumors and

Superintendent Wheat Resigns His Post

Garee A. Road, Jr.

Dr. Leonard B. Wheat, superintendent of JJC-JTHS for the past 11 months, this week tendered his resignation to the school board.

Dr. Wheat leaves to accept a position as superintendent of schools in Wichita, Kansas. He will have 700 teachers under him.

"I have been planning this for some time," Dr. Wheat told the school board, "and it is too great an opportunity to let pass by."

Dr. Wheat is the third superintendent in JJC-JTHS in as many years. Major C. L. Jordan left for duty with the Marine Corps last year and was preceded by Mr. Roy Fargo as superintendent until Dr. Wheat was selected last spring.

THE LAST EVENT

Already! Sorry to say, but it is a fact. The last major event of the year is at hand.

The first semester exams started off today with a "Bang." They will continue through next Monday and Tuesday.

Just remember, if you see your best friend in the hall and he doesn't recognize you, it is just the effect of the finals.

to be sure that the statements that we do make have a reliable source. 4. To buy bonds and stamps whenever we can, and as many as we can.

Reserves May Be Called Soon

Some Classes To Be Speeded Up for Grads

Garee A. Road, Jr.

Dean I. D. Yaggy today urged junior college students to follow the advice of Paul V. McNutt, chairman of the War Manpower Commission, to "stay in school until called."

The announcement made last week by Chairman McNutt regarding a bulletin Dean Yaggy received informing him that all reserves would be called up at the end of the present semester.

Mr. Yaggy has written the officials of the various reserve corps but as yet has received no other information concerning the calling of the reserves.

"The Joliet Junior college will follow the plan laid out by the University of Illinois to allow full credit for unfinished work to reserves called before the end of the semester in June," said Mr. Yaggy. "I have written for information concerning their program and expect an answer shortly," he added.

A plan to speed up all college classes was worked out by Mr. Yaggy, but it was not possible to adopt it because the high school and junior college are too closely tied together.

However, college classes taught by teachers having no high school courses will be speeded up as much as the enrolled work.

The classes in which this speedup will be possible will be, calculus, machine shop, qualitative analysis and mechanics.

"Should students be called shortly after the beginning of the semester, they are entitled to a certain refund as specified in the college catalogue," stated Dean Yaggy. "However, the treasurer's office is planning another method of figuring a refund which will be of advantage to those entitled and called."

Students enlisted in the reserves and not sure about leaving will be able to postpone purchasing their books for a few days until definite information is received, it is believed. As new information is continually being received by the college office, students interested in the latest developments are urged to see Dean Yaggy about them.

Ruth Klockenbusch Back

After an absence of two months due to illness, Ruth Klockenbusch has returned to JJC. She was confined to her home the entire time, but since she did not have to remain in bed, she kept herself busy by reading and catching up on her school work.

Coming back just before exams, Ruth has all her work made up except for her tests, which she intends to take before the semester ends.

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The Literary Supplement

The Blazer offers with this issue a literary supplement, in which are presented writings of JJC students in their Rhetoric classes this past semester. It may not represent the best that has been submitted; certainly excellent material had to be omitted because of lack of space. Practically all of it was turned in as class assignment; none was written definitely and consciously for this supplement.

The staff believes that the writing represents the writers' consciousness of what is going on in the college and in the world, a sensitiveness to life about them, and an appreciation of values that does credit to the college as a whole.

Thanks are sincerely given to those whose help made the publication possible: the English faculty: Mr. Potter, Miss Clarke, Miss Hamill, Miss Hyde, Miss McNulty, and to the students who pushed long enough to find out what they were thinking and asked to give their ideas form.

It is impossible with present uncertainties to plan much for another semester. However, if at all possible, a second literary supplement will be printed at the end of the year.

Presumably English students will develop during the second semester greater sensitiveness to the materials of writing, more sureness and skill in writing, and facility in a greater variety of literary forms. Literary supplement number two should be even better than number one.

Can You Stay It Out?

All along the college halls are empty lockers. New noses are continually being added to the list of drops. The war is gradually taking its toll of JJC students.

Army, army air corps, navy, navy air corps, marine corps, coast guard ... all are calling away the young men of JJC.

An announcement made last week informing Dean Yaggy that all reserves are to be called up shortly after the close of this semester makes the outlook for JJC very dark indeed.

Although this has not been elaborated upon and made definite, many students are accepting this as their last call. They are quitting school at the end of this semester to await further orders.

Yet the army and navy urge all students, reserves or draft age, to remain in school until called definitely. They are urged to enroll for next semester.

It will take determination to stay it out, but we can.

A False Rumor Is Loose

Rumors has it that there will be no college next semester; that there will be no college next fall; that there will be no college except for those enrolled in reserve corps; that there will be no college, period.

Such rumors are spreading around JJC concerning JJC. They are absolutely false. There will be school here until it is impossible to continue. Dean Yaggy has announced that the program is just the same as a year ago with the exception of two new courses being added, in contradiction with the rumors.

During the first world war JJC operated with as few as 60 students enrolled in its classes. At a point in its history when the education of the youth is so essential, the United States would not allow such a thing to happen. Even the army and navy are adopting methods to protect the education of youth by making it possible for young men to return to college to insure a better future for the United States.

Let us spike so ridiculous a rumor.

FEMININE HATS

David Samples

I have always been more or less impressed with women's hats. Just looking at one in a window sends chills up and down my spine. I always ask myself, "How do they do it?" And even more often, "Why do they do it?" I don't believe they know the seriousness of the situation. Understanding women's hats has become an outstanding national problem today.

I recently attended a knitting convention in Belmont, Florida, and I chanced to read an article entitled, "What the Feminine Hat Will Do to the War." The synopsis of the article seemed to be a full scale plan to invade the European coast attired in the latest ladies' head fashions. The desired effect, it seemed, was to startle the enemy and make him completely useless. So the war seemed as good as won. I have always admired the surrealist designs and arrangements—the portable flower garden with all the trimmings, even Vogue. Then there at the velvet type, or "peck a boo" hat, worn by all foreign agents. Also worthy of mention is the very popular "Back to Nature" variety—you know the ones with a purple bird or mounted deer antlers. These are popular with the more rugged and pioneer spirited women I have also been interested in the effects of the great costs of ladies' hats. I read an article in *Bellows*' "Lesser Known Facts About Lesser Known Things for Less Educated People" entitled "The Feminine Hat in Relation to the Basic Economic System of America," where the author stated that, "19,635,575 per cent of all divorces in 1939 were caused by the increased cost of ladies' hats." This report startled me. It should make us all stop and think a moment. Greece fell because of its interest in beauty; Rome fell because of its greed for luxury, and now must America fall because of the women's hats? Let us hope not. These few little facts should impress you with the importance of the feminine hat and its relation to the success or failure of the entire world as much as the situation has impressed me.

THE WEATHER

Perry Moran

What a lovely day for a picnic! You pack a tasty bunch of potato salad, baked ham, home-made bread, pickles, olives, chocolate cake, and hot coffee. Everything is ready except to put the top down on the car. There you go. Driving along the country road. The air is clean and fresh. You feel peaceful. Your hair is blowing in the cool breeze. Nothing could be more enjoyable. You have been riding for two hours. Time for lunch. How long you think? Oh, there is a nice place to eat. You drive in. Everything is set. Now for that delicious ham Mother baked. Ate you just about ready to take a bite? Sorry Mr. but you will have to wait a little longer. Didn't you notice we've been following you for fifty miles. I'm that dark cloud right above you. Better hurry and pack your things. I'm very anxious to begin that storm I promised Chicago to-day. Why, I'm the weather.

Goldfish

Edward Quigley

Consider the lovely goldfish. Have you ever thought of him as an individual rather than as an ornament? He has some very admirable qualities which are generally overlooked, because he rarely has opportunities to display them. I have seen some of these qualities in one particular goldfish, and I presume that others must possess similar attributes.

The life story of this goldfish is unique. We bought him at the five-and-ten-cent store. For two years he lived the ordinary, monotonous fish-bowl life. Then came the day of rebellion. On that day he changed my whole conception of his kind. I had placed him in a shallow pan of water and laid out a bit of the bathtub, so that I could clean his bowl and change the water. When the time came to put him back into the bowl, my little pet had left his temporary residence for parts unknown. But he hadn't gone far; I found him floating nonchalantly on the bottom of the drain. Quickly closing the drain, I turned water into the tub, crossed my fingers, and hoped that he would swim to the surface. It didn't work. I tried wringing the handle of a spoon in the drain in an attempt to chase him up. That didn't work! Finally, in desperation, I thought of the siphon. The "herring," and up popped the goldfish in a veritable geyser of gold. He looked quite ragged, but wonder of wonders, he swam a little loquaciously, perhaps, but he swam. After a short salt water treatment, he was kept down only the longest and respiration appeared normal. He was seen back in his bowl and in his usual place on the window sill. But he wasn't beaten yet! Five minutes later, I picked him off the living room rug, fuzzy with dust and hair from the rug, apparently gasping his last. Another salt water treatment, and he was well enough to go back into his bowl. And, as far as my knowledge of goldfish goes, he finished out the normal life cycle of a pet goldfish.

Now, why did that fish, after two years of apparent contentment, suddenly risk its life twice in the name of to escape from a home that appeared to be perfectly suited to all its needs? Couldn't it be possible that its intelligence was stifled by such an existence, or that its imagination spurred it on to investigate that outside world? Perhaps it was just fed up with the monotony and intended to end it all. Who knows? Your guess is as good as mine. At any rate, the determination to try again, after the grueling experiences of the first attempt was, to me, ample evidence of its courage and fighting heart.

Student To Read Poetry At Writers' Luncheon

David Samples, JJC student, has been invited to read his poetry to the Friends of Literature Society of Chicago.

On Saturday, December 5, David was guest of the Friends of Literature at a luncheon at Huyler's in Chicago. At the luncheon he met Mrs. Fredrika Schwanzy Smith, juvenile verse writer.

Poem by Dave Samples Appears in New Book

A poem by Dave Samples "I Will Drink To This Day" is included in a new anthology entitled "America Speaks" just published by the Horizon House of New York City.

The new book, composed of 450 pages, is beautiful and dignified in form and makeup, and has been favorably reviewed. Dedicated to Joyce Kilmer, it includes a 30 page essay on that poet's life and works by Clement Wood.

This new poem appears in the literary supplement with today's Blazer.

David is working on a free verse narrative "Sanctuary" which will not be complete for some time.

Alum notes

Owen A. Road, Jr.

James N. Elena was commissioned an ensign in the U. S. Naval Reserve and designated a Naval Aviator at weekly graduation ceremonies held at the Corpus Christi, Texas Naval Training center.

Eurigen Klent was a member of the College Y club and played on the varsity baseball team at JJC. During a short furlough recently he married Virginia McEvoy, also a former student here.

Virgil Johnson, studying radio at the university of Kansas, was home for the Christmas holiday. He has three months of training to complete his course there before being sent to Ohio as a radio technician.

George Anderson, a third class petty officer in the U. S. Navy, stationed at Great Lakes, was home on furlough during Christmas.

Robert Gjessing, sent to Texas by the Navy Air corps recently, has sent his address and hopes for some mail from his friends.

Air Cadet Robert L. Gjessing
Boys' Dormitory
East Texas State Teachers' College
Commerce, Texas.

RIDING CLUB PLANS PARTY

Dave Samples

Tentative plans for a snow party to be held early in February were made at a meeting of the executives of the riding clubs. The executives also discussed plans for the coming spring. Although gas rationing and the present situation have changed the riding scene somewhat, the clubs are hoping to continue, as usual. Peggy Moran, college head of riding and Dave Samples, president of bit and spur represented the college. Other members of the committee were high school executives and members.

Committees were chosen for the snow party, and although a definite date cannot be set, because of the uncertainty of the weather, it is hoped that the first week of February will be favorable. Bob-sledding, ski-jumping, snow games and horse back riding will feature the day. Refreshments will be served in the club room of the Woodruff stables.

Dick Sokatch Receives Scholarship for U. of M.

Leonard Lilgers

Dick Sokatch has been elected to the University of Michigan and leaves February 1. Dick's attendance at the University of Michigan is made possible by a scholarship given him by the Croatian Fraternal union, which permits him to attend any college of his choosing.

The credits that Dick has earned at JJC enable him to enroll as a sophomore. He plans to work for the degree of Bachelor of Music. Dick will also minor in physical education.

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New Sports Added To WAA Schedule

Joyce Pahl

The WAA cabinet has planned many activities for the coming year. New sports have been added to these in which girls already have been participating.

Some of these sports are basketball, which is being carried on at the present time; orchesia, which will start at the beginning of the new semester; and swimming, which has already been carried on as an outside activity, but one which, according to Mrs. Kirby, may be added to us during the day.

JJC STUDENT WINS NATIONAL HONORS

Mary Phelps of Plainfield, JJC freshman, was chosen the outstanding girl in 4-H achievements for the year 1942 at the annual 4-H club convention in Chicago in December.

Mary spoke before the Chicago Association of Commerce at the twenty first annual convention at the LaSalle Hotel. The Association of Commerce entertained 20 Illinois delegates and paid Mary's expenses for her week's stay in Chicago.

Mary has been active in 4-H work for eight years. She is president of her county federation, which manages local 4-H clubs. In JJC she is active in WAA and is a member of the student council.

Mary says, "Not everyone can 'Praise the Lord and Pass the Ammunition' so we are going to praise the Lord and pass the food. Our job is on the home front."

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High School Electives For College Credit

Marion Folsner

In order to counter-balance the lowering of enrollment in the junior college resulting from enlistments and the draft, college courses are being offered to high school seniors. High school seniors may take any of the following electives for either high school or junior college credit, but not for both.

Two courses will be offered in English, one in Rhetoric, which will meet three days a week, and the other in English Literature 6 which also meets three days a week. This course in college literature is open to high school seniors who have completed one semester of English Literature in high school. The Rhetoric course is open to all who have had 3 years of regular high school English.

Classes in human physiology, fundamentals of radio and pre-flight aeronautics meeting 5 days a week will be open to high school seniors or college credit. Machine Shop, meeting 3 times a week, is also offered.

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Willsmen Upset Wright, 47-36

Cagers Win 2, Lose 1
Game During Vacation

Al Meyer

Coch A. A. Wills and his college team built their wire column up during the last couple of weeks, when they defeated Muskegon college 38-35, and also lost 1 Wright Junior college 47-36, for the first Wright defeat of the year. The local cagers were beaten by Morton a week ago last Wednesday by a close score of 32-27.

In the game last Saturday night between Wright and Joliet Junior college, the Willsmen could not get started during the first half. They threw passes away and could not hit the basket. Like the local cagers, the Wright team had a hard time hitting the basket, though the first half ended with Wright in the lead by two points 18-16.

The fans and junior college students saw the local boys score 20 points in the second half, when Mulharger and Roth started to put them in from all over. Mulharger dropped in seven field goals and three throws for a total of 17 points.

In the game with Morton junior college, the Willsmen received their first conference defeat of the year. The local cagers were cold on hitting the basket, but played a fair game to hold Morton to 16 points the first half. There was really not

7 Home Games Remain; Willsmen Join Reserves

Gene Pazzi

Coch Wills' basketball team has seven remaining home games. The recent notice that reserves will be called soon after the end of the present semester makes it impossible to predict whether or not the coach will have a basketball squad left.

Squad members who are in some branches of the reserves are: Bob Parker, Navy Air Corps; Nick Kuebler, Army Air Corps; and Ian Crabb, Army Ralph Gruhn, Cliff Mulharger, Bill Schmidt, Richard Martin, and Jack Bergen, have not as yet enlisted in any reserves.

The annual state tournament will be held in Joliet Junior College February 23 to 27. At a meeting held in Chicago this school was chosen for the tournament by unanimous vote of all the coaches.

The remaining home games for the Cagers are:

Jan. 16—Huntington (La Grange)
Jan. 21—Hevl (3:30)
Jan. 22—Wilson
Jan. 30—Mexico City University
Feb. 9—Illinois Wesleyan
Feb. 15—Fort Sheridan
Feb. 20—Navy Pier

much scoring until late in the second half when both teams got hot and were within as little as two points difference. The Joliet Junior college missed more free throws than Morton, and lost the game. To date the college team has won two conference games and lost one.

JC Squad To Be Host to LaGrange

Al Meyer

The Junior college basketball team was told to start worrying not only about their final exams this week, but also about the three conference games they have to play between semesters. For the first of the

three, the Willsmen will be host to LaGrange tomorrow night, Saturday, January 16, in the high school gym. The other two games will be against Herl Junior College next Thursday afternoon, January 21, at 4 p.m. and Wilson the following night at eight o'clock. Both games will be played in the high school gym.

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John Daniels

Practically everyone hates war, and wishes that the present one would stop. Some people make themselves sick by worrying about war. As they can do nothing about it they should take heart in the fact that war brings some benefits to mankind. Will Durant, in his article WHY MEN FIGHT, states, "Science and industry are occasionally advanced by researches derived from the stimulus and energy of war." Science and industry are not "occasionally" advanced by war, but are always led to higher goals. For example, in the last war the airplane was given a push which started it on its world wide travels. It is unfortunate that these travels should now lead to the bombing of cities, but when this war is over the planes of the future will be a number of years ahead of their time, owing to the impetus of the present war. The advances of airplane engines will be carried down to automobile engines; we shall have much smaller motors, cooled permanently without the aid of radiators and other heavy equipment of the present day. Research in chemistry and myriad other industries is being pushed to the utmost by this war. After it is over we shall have many new things that will make life more enjoyable for us and our descendants.

LIBRARY PESTS

Annette Lennon

To me nothing is more annoying than the "Library Pests." Of course, there are many varieties of these pests. First of all there is the "gum chewer." He may sit across the table from you or even at the other end of the room, but with that certain perfected "smack" of his, he may be heard above all other sounds present in the room. You cannot help being distracted from your daily algebra assignment by the fascinating technique with which he opens and closes his mouth with a certain little twist of the lower lip. He makes it quite interesting for those who do not care to study, but have been informed that the library is a place to study. I often wonder!

Secondly, there is the so called "personality lad" who struts in every now and then to let everyone know he is still alive, and to wander around to everyone, slap him on the back, and ask "What's cooking?" Nothing is more annoying than that slap on the back, especially when you are writing your weekly theme in ink and it splatters over the entire page.

There are numerous other "Library Pests," such as "paper rattlers," "lip stick applicators," and hair combs; all of whom are quite annoying when one is trying to study. I often wonder if solitary confinement is as terrible as they say it is!

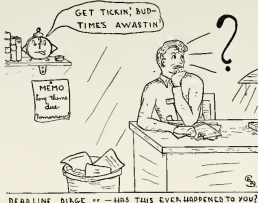
After I read that the national debt will amount to one hundred billion before long, it becomes apparent that all one sees of the war is the bill.

—Fernando Campos

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SECTION II



Lucius The Lion Wins His Lilac

Rush Priest

Modern magazine advertising has taken a trend toward simplicity. It is evident in the fact that many advertising items mention the name of the product but not, when they do it, hits you with a tremendous impact. Take for instance the following gem taken from the trade magazine of the Sheboygan Street Sweepers' School.

Lucius Lion was a nice lion as lions go, and he had plenty of character, for he lived on a strict diet of sausages and converted Ubangis. He was the leader of the local safari society, and his rendition of Rose O'Day was the talk of the brush-country. But now, in the third year of his life, Lucius was lonely. No longer did he pounce on his prey with the old zest. No longer did he enjoy a good nunchuck. Lucius began to eye the young heresses in the crowd with a critical stare. At last he pecked his favorite, a tawny bounding three-year old. So it was that Lucius became the peach of Lucius' eye.

Immediately Lucius began to woo Lilac. But she did not respond to his attentions. Although Lucius did not realize it, he was a chronic offender. For Lucius had M. M.—Mummy Mame—the bone of all lions. Some of you readers may not realize it, but M. M. in lions is akin to B. O. in humans. All of Lucius' charms were of no avail with Lilac as long as he had M. M. Her delightful southern accent (for Lucius was from southern Africa) his pine knockturns, his beau-

tifully manicured paws and his gold fillings—none of these could win Lilac.

One day Lilac even stood him up to go out with Neville, who was a veritable lion with the ladies but was considered a sissy by all the men.

This was too much for Lucius and he went off into the jungle and sobbed himself to sleep. After a stiff cat nap, Lucius decided he was hungry and he went out hunting for a Fuller Brush salesman. (The WPE had begun to ration missionaries). Carefully Lucius set a trap for his prey. He jumped into a spring and assumed the attitude of a bather. Sure enough before he could get himself into a bath, a FBS came around a bend in the path and jovially shouted "Good morning." Before the salesman could open his case Lucius was upon him.

As he slowly manured his meal Lucius noticed a scrap of paper tied to the salesman's leg. It was an advertisement warning against M. M. Lucius realized what a fool he had been and secretly prayed for the health of a friend who had sent him this gentle reminder.

Before you could say pneumococci-omys, Lucius rushed down to his corner drug store and bought a bottle of Ficholiterinols.

Inside of two years Lucius no longer had M. M. and Lilac was all his.

The moral of this tale is: if you can't keep your deader down you better see a druggist, or why do we have a bunch of dim wits in this age of electricity?

The reason we don't have any really great writers today is that the writers write too fast in order to make money, and the public reads too fast in order to save more time.

—Stanley Coleman

I like walking in the rain. It seems to wash the cobwebs from my mind. I like the sound it hits on the hood of my raincoat. It's peaceful, and so very few things are these days.

—Betty Herzog

Dorlene Leaster

War! War! A hush, a hush that is louder than cannon roar. A stunned hush, a hush of fear, bewilderment, anger. And then a thunderclap of noise. Voices, horns, music—but not the same, no, not the same voices, horns, music that were heard before someone, anyone shouted "War!" Now it's noise of determination with a little fear and anger sprinkled in to give it seasoning. Feet, wheels, rushing, always rushing. A job to be done, papers to be signed, civilian clothes changed for the only style of the moment, changed for a suit maybe blue, maybe green, maybe khaki, changed for the only suit of clothes. No time for quiet, no time for napping. No, but instead a time of action, a time for everyone to work, no matter what the job, just work. A time of unanswered questions. A time of heartaches, tears, broken families. All this noise, noise, noise! A noise that means War. A noise that won't stop until it stops with a hush, a hush that can be heard all over the world. A hush that is as startling as the moment of silence after the World War. A hush that means Victory.

World Peace

Edwin J. Quisley

Why do we continue to tolerate physical and intellectual imperfections in the world today? By practicing the teachings of the best educators, the newspapers, and the radio, every man could be a combination Adam and Atlas; every woman could be a Venus. Everyone would love everyone else, and we would all know everything about everything. Jealousy and greed would vanish from the earth, and wars would be only history!

Take a Walgreen advertisement or listen to the radio. You will soon find that ugly hair, bald heads, skin blemishes and wrinkles, lusterless eyes, dull teeth, halitosis and "B. O." are inescapable. There are all sorts of vitamins and laxatives for "that run-down feeling" and an easy-going, level disposition may be maintained with the regular use of Carter's Little Liver Pills. Physical culturists or physiotherapists will mold you to the desired measurements. This could go on and on, but let's see what might be done on the intellectual side.

The next time a book salesman attempts to sell you a volume of the New World Encyclopedia, don't slam the door in his face. If he is high-pressure, it may take as little as fifteen minutes of your time, a little change from your pocket in small coins, and you will have the answers to any problems which may arise in your lifetime.

Now, last but not least, study "How To Win Friends and Influence People." Think of it! If everyone were to read this book, the selfish and influencing people, in a short time everyone would be everyone else's friend, and everybody would influence everybody else. But each one's influence would counter-influence the influence of the others, and the leaves would be blowing in all directions.

Why hasn't someone thought of all this before? Or was it worth it?

PUBLIC MAKE-UP

Deane McReynolds

"Women must have make-up to keep up morale." So say the papers and radio. I don't think anyone will try to take morale away from the women, but I think it might be a good idea to limit the places where it may be used. I say that if women must make up, and it seems they must,



they shouldn't remind the men about it. Why not make us think it's natural loveliness? Don't remind us that those rosy cheeks are in lovely eyes come out of boxes.

What can be less appreciated than a woman who, no matter where she goes, gets out her repair kit and goes to work? I asked the question and I'll answer it. Nothing is more disgusting. What would women say if their escorts took out an electric razor plugged it in and started shaving? I won't answer that, but my head swims just to think of these words! Is there any difference in the two instances? I say no. A woman may argue that her make-up gets messed. Well, perhaps it does, but I've heard rumors that there are places where a woman can go to make repairs. Why make the changes while in public? If a man gets what is known as "four o'clock shadow" does he shave in public? I've never seen it done.

In Chicago it has already become a malfeasance for women to drink at a bar. Who knows? Maybe some day it will be against the law for a woman to make up in public. OH, HAPPY DAY!!

Sleep, and College

George L. Milton

Sleep is an occupation which one might think that a college student was not very well qualified to define. In defining most occupations the person who has the greatest amount of experience would probably be able to give a more complete definition than one who had not spent so much time at it. If we follow this line of reasoning we would say that a person who gets at least eight hours of sleep every night would be able to give a better definition of sleep than a college student who gets but four to six hours. I do not think this is true. The college student sleep is a priceless thing; a brief respite from the cares and worries of his waking hours; something to be anticipated throughout the day because he gets no little of it. To the person who always gets all the sleep he needs, sleep is little more than another way to pass the time. He does not realize what sleep really is and does not appreciate it. If he couldn't have any more sleep than most college students get he would realize that sleep is something more valuable than diamonds; something that no one can do without.

Random Reflections

Here is the rest of the matter of writing; to take time to concentrate, to be still and intuitive enough to see what is really interesting. Writing is never a labor, never a difficulty, if one sees pause and consider long enough to find out what one is really thinking. —C. Morley

I've been thinking of all the time I've wasted. If I could get it all back in one large mass, I could do all the things I've wanted to do but never had quite enough time for. If we could just realize what huge amounts of time we waste, I think we would do more to conserve it.

—Lucille Hoefler

I received a post card from my cousin, stationed at Seattle, Washington, in the Army Air Corps. He wrote, "Having a wonderful time. Wish you were here." When he comes back, I'll have to remind myself to write him inside an airplane wing for that remark.

—Fernando Campos

It is surprising to feel how much good our new physical education program does for us. A five-day week class would work wonders for a lad such as myself. Of course it is easier to be important at this particular time. But we can only imagine what this type of training would do for the young people of tomorrow.

—Bruce Fredrickson

Tick tick; tick tick; the race of time. Sometimes I would like to take hold of the clock and hold back time until I caught up with it. It is of course impossible and would be very difficult on my part if I were the only one to benefit by it. Life is like an equation with you on one side and the rest of the world on the other. I believe people succeed according to how they make use of time.

—Bill Wunderlich

The day is miserable; the reason is rain. The atmosphere is warm and humid; the sky is dark and cloudy; the streets are wet and slippery; the people are blue and depressed. The reason is rain.

—Narvis Gilpin

Winter must be here. Today I saw over a thousand wild ducks heading south, but they were not flying in true V form. No siree. They were traveling in five small V's which were so formed as to make a large V. Even the ducks are all out for victory. I never saw so many wild ducks before in one group, and I never before saw them in such an unusual formation.

—Mary Spangler

A new moon is such an ageless thing. No matter how many times it grows old, it still retains its youth and beauty. How different it is from our own life.

—Betty Herath

Ever since I entered college weeks ago, I've complained about the necessity of working Saturdays. It seemed to me that life was inflicting a dreadful hardship on me. Today I realized for the first time how much fun work really is. The week would be most trying if it weren't for Saturday's breaking the routine of school life.

—Bruce Fredrickson

Weddings are impressive things, especially formal ones. I went to a formal wedding tonight and decided, because of its beauty and sacredness, I want a formal wedding. This kind of wedding seems a more solemn vow of marriage than one in a street dress before a Justice of the Peace.

—Mavis Gilpin

Armistice Day, and so proudly we had. Do we really? Do we have the efforts of the soldier, sailor and marine of today and yesterday? The girl who laughs during the silent tribute to the dead, the man who does not remove his hat for the flag because the weather is icy, the woman who sneaks to get the extra pound of coffee, and the boy who is utterly bored by patriotic pomp—they fail to hail these men. They're a sorry lot. They've failed to find America and her ideals.

—Betty Howard

This is the age of abbreviation. I wonder if it's O. K. to say that a soldier gets a G. I. haircut. If he goes A. W. O. L. to the U. S. O. the F. B. I. starts after him, and he's a D. F. if he can't remember what the O. G. P. U. is.

—Stanley Coleman

It is Armistice Day, and from our kitchen window I can see the lights which are asking us to reach another such day. Just a half mile away are the brilliant lights of Sanderson and Porter. They appear to twinkle in the night air, and to illumine the whole earth. If at this minute I should turn off the light in the kitchen I could easily see my way about, for these "lights of freedom" shine into the room more brilliantly than any city street light. The plant looks like a huge city, and is the most beautiful sight I have ever seen, for it is symbolic of our fight today—the fight for freedom.

—Mary Spangler

I had to get up at 6:45 this morning to go to work and complained about the early hours. Then I stopped to think about the soldiers who have to get up at four every morning. I consider myself lucky.

—Lucille Hoefler

Most of our thoughts either can't be put down with propriety or aren't worth putting down.

—Stanley Coleman

I was hurriedly trying to finish an outline in the library. I had a minute until the bell rang when a girl walked up to me, touched me on the shoulder, and said, "Are you busy?" I almost fell out of the chair from shock. I sat back and thought, "Don't I look busy when I'm working?"

—Mary Louise Henderson

Should We Plan For A Career?

Nat Rowell

In past years the problem of planning a career was something that was considered after college had been completed, sometimes even later. Young men of today do not have very much to plan for in the future because the war. We have to fight to finish two years of college, and that isn't much to look forward to when all our thoughts and feelings are toward enlisting. Our President recently proposed drafting men 18 and 19 years of age. Then we won't even have a chance to finish one year of college! We will see suffering and death, and when this is over, what will we be like? Will we have it in us to settle down to the monotonous routine afterwards? It is even dubious if we will be here. There are problems we must face. I think we can face this war and win it, but we won't have had much training in anything but war. What else will we know? I, for one, am doing my best to prepare for both of these futures, but all of us can't do that. What will the others do? That is why I ask, "Should we plan for a future career?"

Neal Kennedy

The beautiful things poets write about life in the country are just myths. It is no fun to live out in the wide open spaces away from everything interesting. Farmers say



that the lack of social life is compensated for by the pride in seeing things grow and in being able to say that you have helped these particular plants and animals to be what they are. Farmers, as a class, are ignorant. They are proud of their ignorance, and some of the most ignorant of them become presidents of their local school boards. I moved out to the country with my folks four years ago, excited with the prospect of living on the farm. As you have probably guessed by now, I have long since changed my tune. I have been told that it is terrible to live in a large city like Chicago and not even know the people in the next building. I do not think that there is so terrible. Don't you think that it is better not to know your neighbor than to be constantly squabbling with them as farmers do? Farmers are always having some kind of row among themselves. If a fence needs repair, two farmers will argue for weeks to try to decide whose fence it is and who must fix it. Each one claims that it is the other's fence and therefore that it is his job to fix his own fence. Yes, I guess that I have lived in Chicago too long to enjoy country life.

A Sicilian Sailor

Ted Bogdan

"Papadeck Johnny" was his accepted name. No one ever knew who he acquired it. He was small in stature, about five feet, and looked to be sixty years old, yet from his steely eyes he couldn't have reached forty-five. He must have brine in his veins, I thought, as I watched him scrubbing the decks on cool, cloudy mornings. And the brine had made his skin dry and ruddy. The ruddiness was furrowed by wrinkles that bespoke years of weathering storms, and days of lookout duty high in the wildly creaking crow's nest.

He had silvery white hair and a nose that revealed Roman ancestry. After he finished washing down the decks, we would sit on a life raft and he would tell of distant Sicily, his native land.

His eyes became sad as he spoke of women, children, and even men, crying because the fishing vessels they were waiting for did not return.

My First Trip To The City

Ethel Shepard

I wonder if every country child has as vivid a recollection of his first trip to the city as I have. If he doesn't, it is because the horse and buggy was so soon replaced by the car, and after that a trip to town was no longer a novel experience?

Five or six times a year, my father would make a trip to Bemidji, our



closest big town. It must have been the summer I was six that he took me with him, because I remember it was before I had started to school. I still remember why he was taking me.

About a month previously I had been very ill with pneumonia, and at a critical moment my dad said, "Ethel, if you get well, I will take you with me the next time I go to Bemidji." It seemed to be a better reason for getting well than any other I had, so I began day dreaming about the important event.

I had been well a long time before the day actually came. When my mother came upstairs to wake me that day, it seemed like the middle of the night, but when she asked if I wanted to go to Bemidji, I jumped out of bed.

At five thirty we were ready to leave. The horses were hitched to the black limousine, and two racks of hay and a pile of feed were in the back seat. My father lifted me up to the front seat, climbed in beside me, and we were off. For the next three hours we drove, the horses running downhill and walking very slowly uphill except when they broke into a gallop and my dad would hold the reins extremely tight to slow them down. Some-

Tears appeared in his own eyes as he remembered his two brothers, who departed on a cloudless Sicilian morning and whose bodies were washed up on the beach during the black treacherous storm in the evening.

Then, as quickly as they had become sad, his eyes began to sparkle with tales of picnic parties on tall green hills, feasting the labor of the harvest. The memory of grape harvests on sunny hillides, of wine making under shady oak trees, of grape festivals celebrating the termination of the grape harvest, lighted up his whole face. "We sing, we dance, we all happy. No one care for anything else on earth. Everyone laugh and be merry," he would gleefully tell me. The crescendo of his voice rose till at last he jumped up and broke into a wild Sicilian dance, singing all the while at the top of his voice. He would have sung till all the passengers were awakened, but I stopped that cavorting sailor with a pinch in his nose and Sicily in his heart before the captain's wrath could fall upon us.

times on a straight and level road he would let me hold the reins. I thought it must be easy to drive, because no matter whether I pulled one rein or both, the horses continued to walk in the middle of the road.

At eight thirty we arrived at Pinewood and drove directly to the livery stable, where a man named Charlie helped my dad unhitch the horses and lead them into the barn. When he returned, Charlie took the hay and cut out of the buggy, and my dad lifted me down, and with my hand in his we walked the block to the train depot.

We went outside to watch the train when we heard it coming. When it had stopped, a negro put a step down and took my hand and helped me up to the train, and took us to two seats facing each other. It was the first negro I had seen, and I asked my dad why his hands and face were black.

The seats were upholstered in a green plush and were luxuriously soft to touch. My feet did not touch the floor nor did they reach across to the seat opposite. They hung over the floor and swung back and forth like two pendulums. For the next half hour the train sped by so fast it hurt my eyes to watch them.

I can't recall all I did in Bemidji until five o'clock when we again took the train to Pinewood. I remember sitting in a hotel lounge for hours looking at the pictures in magazines while my dad was paying the taxes and attending to other business matters. I remember he came back later and took me to Eddy's Cafe for lunch, where I ate bean soup with little round crackers. After lunch he took me to the library where I sat alone all afternoon looking at geographical pictures through a stereoscope.

I went to Bemidji several times after the automobile had been initiated into our community the following summer, and I lived there for five years while attending school. Why it is I have not often since been so impressed by the place as I was on my first visit there?

LITTLE PLEASURES

Chair T. Connors

"My, what a grand day I had yesterday," is a statement we very often hear. If we were to ask the speaker just what made the day so beautiful, I feel sure he would stammer until he could manage to say—"Things—just things." Upon analyzing the "things" we find it difficult to name one important happening that went into the making of the grand day. It is only the little things that go to make up our daily routine that we find ourselves looking back upon. The realization that the atmosphere outside my blankets is comfortably warm for a change, a cup of coffee that has been "perked" just enough, the fresh rose bud in the tall black vase, catching the last light of the first time this week, the encouraging smile and greeting from that pretty blond, that trigonometry assignment that seems to exhibit one grain of common sense for the first time this semester, the fact that my chemistry instructor positively beamed after my meritorious recitation of an assignment which he doubted anyone would know and I, by the way, had through sheer luck. These are but a few happenings that made one day quickly change to evening. A fine dinner, a few loose ends of the night's homework neatly tucked away, a rollicking radio comedienne, catching up with the world and Bunuel Duck with a newspaper while sipping a glass of red apple that I cut, myself, to hear the juke find, are the pleasures that end my day.

And so, on the way to bed I realize that the real pleasures of life aren't necessarily important activities but merely little things.

Treatment of Musicians

Robert Henderson

Musicians are human beings! Now long ago this amazing discovery was made, no one knows. But it is a sure thing that only a few people in this world know about it. Musicians have been traditionally treated like the proverbial dog. Nevertheless, musicians have a few idiosyncrasies which should be studied in order that they may be properly treated.

One of their main peculiarities is that musicians dislike appearing in public—unless they are paid for it. They are nothing so dispossessing to a youthful musician as the rich club which gives him in payment for a performance a pair of socks, size four and three-quarters. Next, when they do appear, they like to be listened to. I have played several times for some group meeting in a Lutheran church, and I can never receive a penny, but the audience gave me every bit of their attention and a sincere thanks when I had finished. This was worth more than any money they could have given me. (Don't let these comments give you the impression that musicians are usually mercenary. Oh, no. Who ever heard of a wealthy musician!) There is one hard and fast rule which everyone should observe. A musician, especially an amateur, should never be asked for his opinion of another person's performance, particularly when the other person is a friend. One of the most annoying

Dance, Fool, Dance

Nick Karas

Young college men do a lot of foolish things, but in my opinion they thoroughly exemplify their foibles when they are on the dance floor. This is the only time they fail to



qualify as "be men," and degenerate into the class of male animals known as "asses." What could be more stupid than to shuffle around on the dance floor for three hours with a female clad in an undernourished nightgown? Then, to me, is so "dread" isn't it, even funny, but the worst part about it is that our teachers encourage it. Why does a young man commit such blunders of insanity? For indeed, he must be out of his mind when he lets an ordinary woman drag him around by the nose in a most unmanly fashion. The answer is that he simply does not realize what he is doing. Does he at any other time, except on the dance floor, hold a girl so close? In public I mean. And at the same time does a girl appear in public without a dress on that at least conceals her fourteenth vertebra? Of course not. If she did, she would promptly be classified as an inmate of a certain well known public institution located at Kankakee, Illinois. So naturally, I take great pride in saying that I am among the few individuals who have enough sense not to go dancing.

things in a musician's life is the old matron who just waits, with a cat's gleam in her eye, for him to make an unbecoming statement, and then starts some juicy gossip. Last, but not least, as the phrase goes, musicians do not like to hear hymn books as if they knew something about music. Neither do they like being "tramped" or "performed" like the lady couldn't possibly understand. This brings to mind one of musicians' most famous traits; that is that they are very temperamental. You just can't tell what mood they are going to be in, or when they are going to be in a mood to perform. They want to, and they give a cue about what other people think of them—except, of course, the music critic.

This dissertation should serve to show some of the important ways in which the old species of humans, the musicians, should be treated. If further information is desired, start taking music lessons, grow long hair, and find out for yourself.

I like Greek history. It is inconceivable that such a brilliant civilization should die so quickly and be recognized so late.

—Betty Herath

Quick, Watson, The Sledge Hammer!

Ernest Overbey

"Oh, yes, Mrs. Brown, I'm sure I can have your radio fixed by two o'clock. . . Na, it won't cost very much. . . Yes, it will work like new. . . Not better. Goodbye, Mrs. Brown." Boy, am I glad that she's gone! I liked that remark that Mr. Brown didn't have time to fix this derelict. I'll bet that he can't even fix his eyes on a beautiful blonde! So he thinks it's a power tool? I wish that someone would inform the public that the power tube in a radio is in the same class with a left-hand monkey-wrench; there just isn't no such critter." Now to try to tortor up this vicious crier is a flaque the creek who invented the midget radio in the country uses them for a hiding place for its defective parts. I think that some of them just throw their junk into a box, shake it up, and sell it for \$8.95. Well I have the cabinet off. Oh, my gosh! Either the guy who wired this thing was a plumber, or the night watchman at the factory was trying to make a fly trap and someone put it in a radio cabinet by mistake. If it worked before, I suppose that I can get it going again, but it will take some reconstruction. What a job! Here it's almost two o'clock, and I still can't coax a squeal from this electrified scrap heap. I already have two dollars in parts and three dollars' worth of labor in it. Maybe it will work if I bounce it off of the bench a few times. Well, I'll be "I dood" it! Now to get it together before it stops again. How will I ever convince Mrs. Brown that I did five dollars' worth of good to this thing? I guess I'll charge her \$25.00 and charge the loss up to experience. Speak of the devil—"Hello, Mrs. Brown. Your radio is ready. . . Yes, it will last for quite a while. The trouble? Power tube. The bill is \$25.00. . . Yes, I know that it is robbery, but I guess you'll have to blame it on Hitler and the war."

The Definition of 'Scallop'

John Daniels

"A scallop is a peatinoid bivalve commonly having a subcircular shell with radiating ribs." Minus its subcircular shell with radiating ribs it is a solid piece of meat, which is very good when fried in cream. That is why you like fried scallops. A scallop must also be one of a series of curves on the edge of anything, with the possible exception of Mae West, whose curves are not scallops. The former scallop is a shellfish with two shells. The edge of its shell is in the form of a series of curves. This may be disconcerting, this fact that it is named, or it may be that the word "scallop" came from the fish's name. This may prove to be a topic of long discussion, such as the chicken and the egg. The latter scallop may be like the one Sam Peypers were. He wrote in his diary, "I made myself a new fish. Captain Ferrer's face had, being to wear my own new scallop it is so fine." Fish or frill, a scallop is a scallop.

A BARGAIN

Ramona S. Roth

In my little "Webster's Daily Use Dictionary," I found among other definitions of the word "bargain" the phrase, "an advantageous purchase."



According to our rhetoric book, a typical dictionary definition has three parts: term, genus, differentia. In my example (an untypical one) "bargain" is the term; "an advantageous purchase" is the genus—but no differentia!

And how important that differentia is! A bargain is an advantageous purchase—advantageous to whom?



I believe you will agree that nine times out of ten the purchaser is definitely not advantageous to the purveyor. Yes, once in a while your luck will hold, but didn't you find that bargain pair of silk stockings popped a run the first time you wore them? Wasn't it at a bargain sale you bought that electric toaster which

burned the toast and blew the fuse box to pieces? It is the salesman who has the good fortune in such marvelous buys. Not only does he get rid of some poor stock, but he also makes a little extra money while doing it.

A bargain is a purchase advantageous to the merchant. Mr. Webster, please add the differentia.

SCHOOL SPIRITS

Hein Cryder

Have you seen those little, gray ghosts slipping through the corridors, waiting to pounce on unwary stragglers? Have you noticed vague, filmy shapes floating through the halls, hand in hand with procrastination and degradation? These are school spirits. There are several classes of spirits, and the lowest of them all is the Monday Morning class. These spirits have all weekend to practice their various techniques of mistreating innocent students. After five long days of lodging those omnipresent sprogs, a student is naturally a bit grumpy and confused; so it usually takes him all of Saturday and most of Sunday to recover. But while the students are recuperating, the spirits are too, and the vicious cycle begins all over again on Monday. Some of the students develop friendships with the creatures and slide safely along until the end of the semester, when their friends steal them in the back. Do you see that haze gathering down there at the end of the hall? Well, that's a sure sign. Take my advice and look busy.

The Perfect Teacher

Catherine McGinnis

It is hard for me to describe the perfect teacher. As I remember the various teachers I have had through school, each stands out in my mind for very different characteristics. Some I admired because they taught me so much; others I admired because they were my friends.

In general, I like teachers who can discipline their classes with no apparent effort. It is much pleasanter and easier to learn if every one is concentrating on the same thing. When things are continuously interrupted, I become disgusted and lose interest myself.

Also I like teachers who have a definite plan in mind as to the course of study and who always follow this plan. It is disconcerting to jump from one thing to another and harder

to clarify one's ideas. Another thing I think very important is a sense of humor, for it can change the attitude of an entire class. For example, most students think Latin a dull subject, and the sooner they complete the course the better. I liked Latin because I had a teacher who made it interesting just by her sense of humor. When she called on someone and there was a long tense silence, she would remark, "A little louder, please." This always made us laugh, and then we would all try harder.

Sometimes I think students are over critical of teachers and not critical enough of themselves. It has always helped me to think of them as friends who are really interested in my progress.

What Is Poetry?

"Poetry is like an unexpected noise on the night: the creak of a door, the footstep on the porch, the soft scuffle of a saucy against the screen, quick notes every sense to an instant alert."

Christopher Morley

I Will Drink of This Day

David Samples

I will drink of this day,
I will hold close to my lips the cup
Of Life, and taste all its bitterness,
All its sweetness. I shall become
elutriated
With Life. I shall rejoice today.
I shall live my house with laughter.
And weep.
How I shall weep today! How I shall
repent my sins,
And how sinful shall I be. And I shall
Call on the Heavens, and I shall
Call on Hell, and the Heavenly Hosts
And the Demons of Hell, and I
Shall have all life as one today.

Softly Now

David Samples

Softly now the sun is falling;
Softly now the shades are drawn;
Softly now the light is fading;
Softly now the stars turn on
Softly now the wind is whistling;
Softly now the sea's at rest;
Softly now the moon is winking
As it wanders toward the West.
Softly now the world surrenders
To the darkness and its night.
Softly now I sigh and wander
To the realm of dreams tonight.

FIVE MINUTES

Betty Howard

Everyone has experienced a long terrifying five minutes. The actress as she awaits her cue on stage, the bride as she awaits the first strains of Lohengrin, and the bomber listening for the command, "Bombs away!" all know this period when life stops momentarily.

Just two years ago I experienced such a period. On this morning I found myself seated in state police headquarters. I was in a large cold room whose walls were gray concrete. The floor was a rubber composition which hollowed and muted every sound. Directly opposite me was a green door, the only color break in the room. Unconsciously I glued my eyes to that door and shut out everything about me. My father was trying to bolster my courage for the coming ordeal, but his words could not penetrate the questions rushing madly through my mind.

Would I be able to convince them? Would I remember the insignificant facts which, at the time of the utmost importance? Would my age make a difference?

Suddenly the green door opened, and I was again a part of the world about me. An inspector came toward us saying in a formal manner, "Will you please come this way? We're ready now."

Those terrible five minutes were over, and I walked steadily into the room. The driver's test I took was easy compared to the waiting!

It's Different Now

Clair T. Connors

At this time our friends and loved ones are in all parts of the world. Before the war, except for the Stevenson family who live in Montana, and Uncle Henry in Boston, we knew of no one outside our own little community. Now the community of ours is dismembered and its people are on the Gold Coast in Dakar, London, Elise, Algerin, Alexandria, and New Guinea. We hard-boiled, take-it-for-granted Americans are in the land of the head and uprooted. The friendships we had and try to enjoy the cup of remembrance to the last drop. A few of us are living our lives at a normal tempo yet, but some are living from one second to another. Many of us are unashamedly cosmic beings to live in comparative peace after this war, but many won't. That handicap, bringing to a close his last furlough was unquestionably more firm and understanding than it would have been under normal circumstances. Her usual quickness and good-sight have turned into a lost embrace long to be remembered. Those American boys in London who visit the villagers' homes, treating them to the "goodies" sent from home, are grasping every bit of friendship and enjoyment they can. As it were, they are the West. Dad, that back in the states were merely "word from home," assume far greater meaning now. Yes, our attitudes are greatly altered from what they were. It's different now.

Yearbook Needs More Snapshots

"We are in great need of snapshots that anyone has or that anyone can take around school." This is the request issued by Miss Christine Bunch concerning the yearbook. All individual pictures of sophomores and all group pictures have been taken and are being mounted in panels now.

Use Linoleum Blocks

A "dummy" for the book has already been set up. The book will contain between 70 and 80 pages this year.

Linoleum blocks will be used for many of the cuts because of the shortage of metal. The artists on the staff have started to work on these cuts and expect to finish them soon.

Subscriptions Still Taken

As was announced before, the theme of the book is the calendar with the events of each month shown. Subscriptions will be taken until the order for the covers is sent in to the S. K. Smith Cover company. After this time no more orders will be accepted.

The annual will be distributed the first week in June, and the books ordered by the boys in the service who were former students will be sent to them or be given to their parents.

Drafted JJC Students To Get Part of Fees

Plans are under way to give refunds of tuition and fees and full credit to students called into active service during the semester.

Dean Ira D. Yaggy states that such a plan will be followed, although the complete system has not been released.

It is probable that the amount refunded will be in proportion to the weeks of the semester remaining at the time of withdrawal. Course credit will be given to those who have completed half the semester with the approval of Harry Atkinson and Dean Yaggy, directors of the program, and the class instructor. At least average grades will be required for this advanced credit.

At some future date exact details of the plan will be announced.

Riding Clubs Planning Details of Snow Party

All details for the annual riding club snow party have been completed. Foggy Morn and Dave Samples represent JC as general chairman. Committees have been chosen and activities planned.

Ski jumping, bob-sledding, cutter riding and snow parties will feature the day. Refreshments are also to be served.

The party will be held at Woodruff Park. Due to uncertainty of the weather, no date is set, but a 24 hour notice will be given all members.

This year the riding club is extending an invitation to friends of members. The price for the afternoon is \$66 a person.

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Army Reserves Are Called



Pre-Medical Students Stay

Sophomore Engineers May Remain Until June

Enlisted Reserve Corps students are going to be called shortly, it was announced by Dean I. D. Yaggy after he received a bulletin from the war department this week.

The only members of the reserves to be deferred until June are pre-medical students. This classification will also defer medical students who are not enlisted in the corps. After being called they will be assigned to further pre-medical training under the Army specialized training program or assigned to other military duty.

Sophomore students in the Enlisted Reserve Corps who are taking approved technical courses will continue in an inactive status until the end of the semester and will then be assigned to training by the Army.

All other Enlisted Reserve Corps students will be called to active duty at the end of the semester terminating after December 31, 1942. "No orders will be given to such students to report on a date prior to two weeks after the completion of the semester ending after December 31, 1942," stated the bulletin. The semester referred to ended for JJC January 19.

According to the bulletin, "A pre-medical student in the Enlisted Reserve Corps training as an approved course is defined as one who is— (1) In the Enlisted Reserve Corps, (2) Enrolled as a full time student, (3) In good standing according to the prescribed standards of the institution which he attends, (4) In an institution whose pre-medical graduates have been regularly admitted to medical schools accredited by the American Medical Association, (5) Carrying the program prescribed for pre-medical students in that institution."

Approved technical engineering courses as described in the bulletin are as follows: Aeronautical engineers, automotive engineers, chemical engineers, civil engineers, electrical engineers, heating, ventilating, refrigerating and air-conditioning engineers and mechanical engineers.

Little hope of staying until June is given Army Enlisted Reserve Corps students and students not in any reserve war in a course which meets the standards set by the Army as essential studies.

Robert Henderson Concert Soloist

Robert Henderson, talented JJC student, will be one of the soloists at the Joliet Symphony orchestra concert to be held in the JT Auditorium on March 28, 1943.

Bob, who is 18 and has been playing the piano for 10 years, is a student of Miss Florence Schell. He has played for a number of musical productions at JT and has appeared many times before various organizations in Joliet.

At the concert Bob will play Greig "Piano Concerto." The orchestra, under the direction of Paquell Crescenti, will play "Mozart's Symphony in G minor" and numerous selections by American composers.

JJC Enrollment Drops To 178 and 13 Nurses

According to figures released by Dean Yaggy the enrollment for the January semester of this year has dropped from last year's total of 266 to 191. This enrollment of 191 includes 13 nurses, who are taking part-time studies, but does not include three post graduate students from high school. The average enrollment for the five previous years has been close to 265 students.

Two new courses have been added to the curriculum. They are fundamentals of radio, and pre-flight aeronautics. Both courses are proving very popular with the students.

Whitlark Again Heads Honor Roll

For the third consecutive time Fred Whitlark has topped the JJC honor roll, having for the past semester a 5. average with four pluses.

Eleanor Meyer and Rush Priest each made 5. grades with two pluses. Gwen O'Neill made 5. grades with one plus.

Leading the freshmen honor roll are: Vernon Luba, 5., three pluses; Robert Markely, 5., two pluses; Robert Messberg, 5.

Others on the second year honor roll are: Evelyn Barcos, 4.81; Leona Braman, 4.71, one plus; Patricia Douglas, 4.53; Joseph Bartosch,

4.50; Virginia Fullberg, 4.49; Harold Talbot, 4.59.

On the freshmen roll are: Robert Mosborg, 5.06; Bruce Fredrickson, 4.94; Shirley Frieble, 4.82, one plus; Ernest Overbey, 4.81; Ralph Smith, 4.81; Rito Siegrist, 4.71; Ramona Roth, 4.63; Betty Howard, 4.56; Wilbur Rowley, 4.53, one plus; Elizabeth Bowler, 4.50.

A sophomore, Leona Braman, carried 21 hours. Pat Douglas carried 19 hours. Vernon Luba and Ramona Roth, both freshmen, carried 19 hours each.

The honor roll is subject to revision because of incompletes.

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Dr. Wheat to Leave

Dr. Leonard B. Wheat, superintendent at JJC—JTHS for the past year has resigned his position for a much better one, as head of the education system in Wichita, Kansas.

To obtain a position such as the one Dr. Wheat is getting in Wichita is a great honor.

We wish Dr. Wheat the greatest success with his new position.

Take Time To Relax

Most colleges and universities have a recreation period sometime during the week. Students participate in games of all sorts, and at some places dancing is featured. The students of JJC are no exception.

Every Monday evening as soon as school is out the girls' gym is opened to JC students for games. Many have his chance to show how good a punting player he is or how much competition he can give to an outstanding basketball player. Also in the spotlight of games are shuffle board, dart throwing, and volleyball. So students, take advantage of what is offered to you. Enjoy the exercise and companionship of the Monday night play nights.

College: Does It Pay?

by Associated Collegiate Press

Does a college education pay? Right now that question is uppermost in young American minds, more than ever before. Industry and business seems to be offering unusual opportunities to persons with little or no training, and those who have had higher education apparently have no better status than the unskilled workers.

From a practical standpoint, however, actual statistics lead to a different conclusion. Men and women with college educations not only have more prominence in their vocational fields; they make more money. This statement is supported by a survey of positions and salaries of graduates of the school of forestry of Montana State university.

Graduates up to and including 1941 totaled 394. Of men graduated from 1910 to 1915, the weighted average income in 1941 was \$5,213, with a \$6,000 maximum and \$3,800 minimum. Men graduated from 1930 to 1940 earn an average of \$2,608, with a maximum of more than \$4,000 on a minimum of \$1,000. Those graduated in the intervening years earn incomes averaging between \$4,750 a year and \$2,000.

These figures were compiled from 72 per cent of the total number of graduates, 84 of whom are in the armed services, and for 94 of whom records are incomplete. The 72 per cent sampling is well distributed and sufficiently large to be indicative.

Though wages have gone sky high this year, official government figures reveal that the average income of American wage earners for the period June, 1942, to June, 1943, is still only about \$100. In 1940 the average income for the entire country amounted to \$573, and for Montana \$579, yearly. This information is from "Trade and Professional Associations," a government survey compiled by C. J. Jullens.

Contrasting the \$579 yearly average income with the average income of forestry school graduates, which amounted to \$2,670, including the figures on very recent graduates, it is seen that these college graduates earn four times as much as the average man.

MEN ENJOY WAR

George L. Milton

If you were to ask the average man whether he enjoyed war, he would be surprised and almost insulted that you should even ask him such a question. Yet I believe that if he would really impartially analyze his feelings on the subject, he would find there are many things about war he really enjoys. I do not mean to say that men enjoy the actual fighting and killing. Very few do that, even though there may be a certain primitive joy of combat. The things I think men enjoy about war are more intangible than that. Many men do a great deal of complaining about being drafted. I don't think that this is caused usually by a lack of patriotism nearly as much as it is caused by the fact that they derive a feeling of importance from being drafted, and want to be sure people know how important they really are. Another thing I think men enjoy about war is the feeling that by entering the armed forces they are doing something to help their country. Most of them don't think very much about doing anything for their country in peacetime, but when war comes they realize what it really means to them, and derive a deep sense of satisfaction from being able to help it. The final thing I think men like about war is the feeling of unity and comradeship that they never had to such an extent before. The average person derives pleasure from working with a large group of people, but in peacetime in which he is usually interested. All these things combine to make men really enjoy war.

Little Pleasures

Audrey Nelson

Some of my greatest pleasures lie in little things. A gay time, a sunny day, a lovely picture, or a new idea is enough to bring me pleasure. All of these are little pleasures, but they are the most enjoyable.

Haven't you walked over the same path day after day through a long cold winter and suddenly, when spring came, received a lovely surprise when that red rose bush leaped into flame? I have. It was just a little occurrence but it brought me a great deal of pleasure. Have you actually enjoyed meeting a new acquaintance? To me it is a real pleasure because it means the possibility of a new friend, and certainly there is nothing more enjoyable than the casual banter and yes, even the gossip, of one's friends. It's such fun to relax and let the mind drift to that "awful class." It's just a little pleasure, simple but fun. Then there's that gay crowd of people who ride the bus to school every morning. Certainly there could be no better awakening after a long night's sleep than the cheery "Hi!" of a classmate. It would be laziness and dull indeed if I had to ride alone to school. That morning bus ride is one of the most enjoyable events of my day. I think of all the little ways that I find pleasure the most enjoyable are found among my friends.

A Day at the Rodeo

John Stefan

If you've never been to a rodeo before, don't go because this is what happened to me.

I was asked to go to a rodeo in Chicago by some relatives of mine. I accepted wholeheartedly, for I had never witnessed one before. To my dismay, I smelled the place while we were still about seven blocks away. My nose told me to go back, but blood-relationships dragged me on. Finally we reached our destination. In order to get a good view I insisted on getting ringside seats, for which I was to be sorry. We were just in time, the show was just getting under way. The gates opened and out came something that resembled a centaur. After a brief jittersburging, the man-half popped off of the horse-half and sailed thru the air "with the greatest of ease" only to land in a heap about two feet from where I was sitting. At first I thought the cowboy exploded into a thick cloud of dust of which every particle seemed to settle in or on me. But, no, he was still in one piece; that is, I think he was when good-hearted ambulance men carried him off on the stretcher.

No sooner was the victim off the field and the dust settled than there was a terrific snarl and bellow, a flash of brown, and a dust storm came raging in. It was a bull with someone hanging on for dear life. It had come around the arena for the second time when all went black.

I learned later, at home, where I was confined to a bed with various pains of me bugged, including my ears, that the one rider of the bull had decided to learn to fly. He left his steed to come sailing straight at me only to make a crash landing on my head.

I knew then that the first time will be the last time that I'll ever go to a "House of Horrors," otherwise known as a rodeo.

Making of a Chemist

Ethel Shopard

This morning I had my apparatus all set up ready to go on. To experiment to find the molecular weight of oxygen. I had one sheet written out on a slip of paper so I wouldn't forget some little thing like leaving the pinch clamp on when I began to heat the substance, and when it began to decompose, I did too. I felt the weakness first in my arms. I could hardly hold the burner under the test tube. The weakness went slowly down, and far a few minutes I stood swaying, as if my legs were making up their own minds whether to stand or not. As I watched the water flow into the beaker, it was like the strength draining out of my body. My stomach felt empty. A slight breeze could have blown me over. If oil chemists felt as I did, I am afraid we would not get "better living through chemistry."

Last Year Proves Full of Action

Marion Palmer

How much can happen in a year? Let us look at some of the highlights of the past year at JJC.

Governor Dwight Green declared Lincoln's birthday a holiday. . . . Fred Whitlatch twice headed the honor roll. . . . Major Jordan was promoted to his present rank of major in the Marines. . . .

The WAA gave a style show "Sturveys to Style" Officer Harry Berlin of the state police, made us safety conscious in a talk to the JJC assembly. . . . Leonard B. Wheat took over the superintendency of JTHS and JJC. . . .

Coach Willis' basketball team had a successful year. Among the teams defeated were University of Mexico, Morton and Wright junior colleges. . . . Students and towns people, like everybody else in the country went on Central War Time. . . .

The freshmen honored the sophomores at a "Superstitious Stomp." Dance chairmen were Lou Fifer and Dorothy Maxwell. . . . The operetta "The Pink Lady" and the College Y Date Banquet were popular events.

The freshmen Pro Comics defeated both the freshmen and engineers and the Kingsmen Captains. . . . With the death of Miss Pauline Dillman, librarian, JJC students lost a fine friend.

September enrollment was better than anticipated, 231 students reporting. . . . 12 new courses were offered this year. . . . A Rec room next door to the college office was furnished, opened and much used and appreciated. . . .

The college play "George Washington Slept Here" was very entertaining. . . . Through the semester JC men joined various branches of the reserves. . . . The newly inaugurated boys' gym class offered "commenda" training. . . .

The staffs of the Year Book and Blazer were handicapped by various shortages in equipment. . . .

The freshman football team defeated the sophomores. . . . A majority of students did part time work outside of school. . . .

Congress passed the law drafting 18 and 19 year old boys. . . . President Roosevelt closed all enlistments for reserve corps. . . .

Class Pins on Sale

Class pins for 1943 are now available. Solid gold pins are \$7.00 and gold filled pins are \$5.00. Orders may be given to Owen Hood. A \$2.00 deposit is required.

Alumnates

Lieutenant John Douglas Oquist, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Oquist, 1008 West Jefferson St., is now receiving bombardier instruction at the Army Air Corps advanced flying school, Carlisle, New Mexico.

Before going to the Carlisle Army Air field, Lt. Oquist had completed cadet navigation training at Honda Field, Texas, where he received his commission.

Lt. Oquist attended JJC in 1941

Following are the addresses of some of the fellows now in service who would like to hear from their friends here at home:

Cpl. John Barnes, 16098210 (class of '41)

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Virgil Johnson (class of '43)
1200 Louisiana Ave.
Lawrence, Kans.

Students Hear Author

Maureen Daly, youthful author, addressed members of the J H Radio Club, journalism students, and Mr. Potter's college English literature class Wednesday, January 27, 1943.

Miss Daly, author of the prize winning novel "Seventeenth Summer" and many short stories told the background of her writing. She said that there are many openings for aspiring authors with ability to put words on paper in an interesting way.

Miss Daly was brought to JT by the Radio Club, which is under the direction of Miss Margaret Kortes.

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Commend JJC-JTHS Training of Inspectors

Gene Pezzi

Could you train college graduates to be government inspectors for your local munitions plant in a period of six weeks? This was the question asked of Dr. L. B. Wheat and the chemistry department of our school by three men from Washington D. C. last April.

Now in January, our chemistry instructors have trained some 150 men in this work. These recruits were men who ranged from 20 to 45 years old, most of whom had no more in general chemistry than a second year high school student.

To accomplish so much in six weeks was at first thought impossible. R. L. Frisbie and his assistants had to organize a course to do in six weeks what normally would be done in four years of college chemistry.

An outline had to be made of this course, and that outline along with all written examinations given is now on file in Washington. Similar courses are now being given in various universities throughout the country. All are patterned after the course given here.

The number of examinations given in the course totaled 18 in the six week period. One chemist received an average of 99 on the tests. These inspectors are now drawing salaries of \$250 a month at the ordnance plants.

Recognition of the work of Mr. Frisbie and his assistants is shown by a letter sent to Dr. L. B. Wheat by Major Emil F. Wertz of KOW. The letter in part reads as follows:

"It is desired to express special commendation for the cooperation and high degree of ability and efficiency as shown by Messrs. Frisbie, Kline, Clewvaters, and Castle in the conducting of this training program. You are fortunate in having these men in your organization."

"The Ordnance Department is very appreciative for your help in making a training program of this kind possible, and realizes the fortunate

Chemists from Class Of 1933 Carry On

Gene Pezzi

The chemistry division of the JJC class of '33 has a record to be proud of. R. L. Frisbie, head of the chemistry department, has kept track of the class since graduation, and knows where nineteen out of twenty of the class are. Most of the class have had further education than the two years at JJC. All nineteen have been successful in their occupations.

Five out of the twenty chose the profession of medicine. George Carlin, Robert Cohnour, and Richard Fahmer are now army doctors. Warren Yemms is a research surgeon at Cook County Hospital. Ira Whitehead from Lockport is also a practicing physician.

Vincent Foranago, Charles Lang, and Larry Furlong, a former basketball star are dentists. Stuart Rollinson is a graduate pharmacist.

Several of the class went into industrial fields. Frank Bryant is a superintendent at the Rubberoid, Charles King and Abel Brown are division superintendents at Blockson's. Bonnie Malinoff is working in the postoffice at Springfield.

Chemistry still claims the interest of a few of the men. Everett Nelson returned to teach chemistry at JTHS and JJC. Frank Konarsky is a research chemist with DuPont, working in one of the eastern branches. Kenneth Howell is a salesman for Squibb Chemical company. A. C. Over is doing graduate work in chemistry at the University of Chicago.

L. E. Whitehead is selling real estate. Ralph Baird has gone into government service.

Although Mr. Frisbie does not know the whereabouts of William Johannessen, he is proud of the record of the class.

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JC Cagers Bow To Morton Team

Sparked by the conference leading scorer, Morton Junior College gained undisputed possession of first place by trimming Joliet 47-34. The amazing Charley Cuda collected 9 field goals and a free throw for 19 points to forge well into the lead in individual scoring.

Joliet made several determined drives, but each one was repelled. The best effort was made in the closing minutes of the game when the lead was cut to 3 points; but then a few rapid baskets by Cuda, Vosyka, and Susek clinched the game.

The lineup was as follows:

Morton	B F T	Joliet	B F T
Cuda f	9 1 3	Schmidt f	2 0 2
Susek f	4 0 1	Peterson f	4 2 1
Grove c	3 2 2	Harper c	1 2 3
Vosyka g	4 0 0	Graben g	1 0 2
Tomovic g	0 0 1	Rick g	4 0 2
Vatova c	1 2 1	Wilcox g	0 0 1
		Kuebler f	3 0 0
		Martin f	0 0 0
	21 5 8		13 4 11

State JC Cage Tourney May Be War Casualty

The state Junior College basketball tournament, which is held each year during the last week in February may be cancelled for the duration. Dean Ira D. Yaggy said last week that neither he nor Coach Aubrey Wills had received any information regarding the tournament, and until such information is received no plans will be made. Meanwhile plans are in the making for a four-team invitational tournament. The tournament will be held here at Joliet and the teams will be the four best teams in the Junior College conference.

3 Cage Meets Remain For JC Before Tourney

Tomorrow's game with Concordia college of Milwaukee is the first on the list of three remaining games to be played by the Wilkeson in the basketball season, rapidly drawing to a close. They are busy brushing up for the state tournament later this month.

In the next few days the team will play Illinois Wesleyan and a conference tilt with Wright Junior college of Chicago.

The games with Concordia tomorrow and Wright on Feb. 11 are away while Illinois Wesleyan will play here Feb. 9.

WAA PLANS NEW SOCIAL EVENTS

New sports and coming social events were the main topics of discussion at the February meeting of WAA held Tuesday February 2, in the girls' gym.

Recently added to the sports program are volleyball and baseball. Other sports which are beginning their second seasons next week are: Orchestra, Tap, Bowling, Archery, Swimming and Co-Recreation. For those who have not yet signed up, registration is still open.

Social events of the near future include an informal tea for Senior girls, and possibly an all college skating party under WAA sponsorship. It was suggested that the WAA do something along the line of duty in the War Effort. Nothing as yet has been decided upon.

After the business meeting refreshments were served. Hostesses for this were Eleanor Meyer, chairmen; Olive McCowan, Jackie Waldman, Dolores Canto, Ruth Martin, and Marian Palmer.

Loan Fund Buys Bond

Conditions that have arisen during the war have enabled the college loan fund to purchase a \$10,000 war bond. In the past year, because of a general increase in public wealth and the uncertainty of students as to their draft status, a \$7400 interest fund has accumulated. If the bond is held to maturity a good interest rate will be received on the unused money.

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Even Coeds Improve With 'War Conditioning'

Austin, Texas.—(ACP)—Mark up another store for stiff exercise!

University of Texas co-eds who took a "war-conditioning" physical training course showed an improvement of 24.65 per cent in total physical fitness, according to a survey of actual tests made at the beginning and end of the course.

Results of a battery of tests showed that the 94 girls who completed the course had: stabilized their weight perceptibly; improved their lung capacity 4.32 per cent, their arm strength 36.87 per cent, chest strength 6.05 per cent, shoulder strength 4.47 per cent, abdominal strength 13.35 per cent, leg strength 29 per cent and agility 11 per cent.



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JTHS Senior Play To Be Feb. 25-26

"Every Family Has One" has been selected as the JTHS senior play to be presented in the high school auditorium Feb. 25 and 26.

The plot centers around a typical American family. Laura, the mother, is deliciously happy because she has engineered a match between her daughter, Marcia and wealthy Sherman Parker.

Marcia, however, is in love with Todd Galloway. With the help of Nana, the wisecracking grandmother, who plays Bing Crosby records, and Lily, a distant cousin with stage aspirations, Marcia and Todd are reunited, and Warty, the son who believes he is another Eugene O'Neill, finds his true love.

The curtain falls with everyone, especially grandmother, satisfied with a job well done.

Tickets are being sold by all high school seniors and go on reserve February 22.

New Feature Planned for JJC

A new feature in the yearbook will be service pages dedicated to the boys from JJC who have gone into our armed forces. The pages will consist of candid shots taken of the boys in camp. Any boys who are planning to leave this semester are asked to see Jack Egan or Dean Yaggy about details for pictures.

There are to be several pages in the yearbook sponsored by some of the JJC firms. It would be appreciated if the fathers of some of our JJC students would sponsor a page in our yearbook. Anyone interested may see Jack Egan.

The staff is working hard to make the 1943 yearbook a success. The editorial staff is busy organizing the copy while the art staff is hard at work in hope that the yearbook may go to press about May 1. As yet only 125 proofbooks have been sold. The deadline for yearbooks is not far off. Those who wish to subscribe are urged to do so before it is too late.

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'My Maryland Is' Chosen as Operetta

A. H. Zimmerman, director of the JTHS A Cappella choir, has announced that the operetta, given by the choir this year will be "My Maryland," the Broadway-famous musical romance of Sigmund Romberg.

Three performances of the show will be given by an all-student cast made up of both high school and junior college students on April 14, 15, and 16 in the school auditorium.

Centering around the Civil War, "My Maryland" will be one of the most beautiful shows produced in Joliet under Mr. Zimmerman's direction. It is famous for its intriguing plot, its masterly arranged music and its magnificent costuming.

The chorus parts are being learned by the choir. Tryouts for the principal leads will be held late this month.

State Tournament To Be Held Feb. 27

The conference basketball tournament committee, composed of Dean L. D. Yaggy, as chairman and A. A. Walls of Joliet and George Feneil of Morton as co-chairmen, has scheduled the state basketball tournament for February 27 at Joliet Junior college.

Acting on recommendation of the conference coaches the committee has decided that the tournament will be abbreviated to four teams. The teams, Mott, North Park, Wright, and Joliet, were designated by conference coaches because they have made the best showing during the past season.

Since only the four teams will participate in the tournament the semi-finals will be held in the afternoon and the finals that same evening.

How Activity Fee Was Distributed

For the benefit of any student who does not know how his \$3.00 activity fee is distributed, the following percentages have been published:

Social, 28%; boys athletics, 23%; Annual, 17.5%; Blazer, 3.5%; banquet, 8%; college play, 5%; WAA, 5%; assembly and lecture service, 4%.

Dean Yaggy said last week that any student who left school before the first quarter expired would receive \$3.00 refund on his fee, and anyone who left during the second quarter would receive \$1.50, but anyone who leaves after the middle of the semester would receive no refund on his activity fee.

C. L. Jordan Now Lieutenant Colonel

The former superintendent of the Joliet Township High School, C. L. Jordan, now an officer of the United States Marines, has been officially



Lieutenant Colonel C. L. Jordan

promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel from the former rank of Major.

Since the outbreak of the war, Lt. Col. Jordan has served as an executive officer in the mid-west area for recruiting. He served in the Marines during the first World War and remained in the reserves after the armistice.

It is not yet known whether or not the promotion will involve a change of status for Lt. Col. Jordan. At the moment he resides with his family at 395 North Raynor Ave.

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JJC Boys Gone Since December

The cheerful halls of JJC are being slowly emptied of men. The draft has taken more and more of the college fellows since the first of the year.

Bob Campbell and John Kloefer left for Meteorology in the army; Walter Leonard was called to the



Navy Air Corps; Charles Woods to the Marine Corps; and Frank Teisk to the Navy.

Al Meyer, Charles Affeldt Jr and

Basler Elected Superintendent

To Replace Dr. Wheat; Received 3-Year Contract

Elected at the board meeting Tuesday evening as superintendent of JTHS to replace Dr. L. B. Wheat, Roosevelt Basler will take his position in April when the three-year contract he received becomes effective.

A statement made by Mr. Basler when he was told of the board's choice follows:

"I am accepting this position with enthusiasm; I shall endeavor to make my services of ever-increasing value to the students and teachers of this great institution and to the community in which it is located."

"My knowledge of the abilities of our staff and my confidence in their cooperative support causes me to look forward with keen anticipation to working with them as they continue in their efforts to provide the best possible educational opportunities for the students of JTHS and JJC."

Mr. Basler came here in September from Tacoma, Wash., as assistant superintendent. One of his duties has been the directing of Evening classes during the winter session. He has also coordinated many of the defense classes held in the high school.

Joliet Defeats Herzl

Joliet Junior college last night defeated Herzl Junior college, 51-32, at Herzl, Conn. A. A. Walls used 11 men, nine of them scoring from the field. Nick Kuebler was high point man for Joliet with 11 points and Wesley Leed Herzl with 13. Ian Crabb and Nick Kuebler will leave for the army next week and are not eligible for the tournament.

A tall Fort Sheridan team defeated the Joliet JC team 60 to 47, February 15.

Lew Furdy are waiting for their calls and are not in school.

Art Barnes and George Burosh have enlisted in the army and Robert



Prohish in the Army Air Corps. Argente Larocine, George Seenk and Duward Killinger were inducted. Kent McCarty and Nick Radakovich also have been drafted.

Those just announced called from the AERC and leaving soon are Ian Crabb, Milton Lewis, George McKay, Robert Potter and Ed Farrell.

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Party Flops Are Avoidable

Why was the date sport night called off last week? Because there was too little interest.

The reason for lack of interest in social affairs is a problem for the social committee. It would be a big help if the committee had some idea of what kind of social activity we prefer.

Some students continually complain that there are not enough get-togethers, yet the complainers have not all supported the functions planned.

We suggest that the social committee make a survey of students before the next party and plan for one of interest to the majority.

We also suggest that those who are not approached in such a survey, write out their ideas and put them on the spindle in the college office for the social committee.

Perhaps a better understanding of student preference as to parties and dances would prevent "flops" like the one last week.

Music and Studies Mix

Can homework possibly be done to the accompaniment of a blasting radio? I say "yes," and if it were a case of putting it to a vote, I'd mark my ballot that way. Of course, it does depend a lot on the individual and on the program in progress as you study. Naturally, "Gang Busters," "The Green Hornet," and "The Lone Ranger" are far too exciting to enable you to devote your full attention to Algebra III or Chemistry I, but music can really be a help. It's much easier to write or think while your foot is unconsciously tapping out a rhythm or while you hum the soothing strains of "Bent Me, Daddy." Music, sweet or "hot," helps me to keep going, and it also keeps me from falling asleep if my books seem dull. So, when I start my assignments, the first thing I do is turn on the radio and time in my favorite swing band. With the volume knob turned on far as it will go and with a beating rhythm pounding in my ear, I open my book. Before I realize it, "tempus" has quickly "fugit." By maybe my lessons aren't "bep to the five," but at least, I'm "on the beam."

Jean Riley

My Four Favorites

Evelyn Rehnquist

Winter, spring, summer, autumn—each one of the seasons holds a special attraction for me. If I were told to choose the one I like the best, I think I would not be able to do it. The more I think about it, the harder it is to decide. When winter comes, I like it best. Of course there are colds, wet feet, chapped hands, and cars that won't start. But there are also nice things—on the windows the patterns of frost that wink at you when the sun shines on them, the startling whiteness of the snow, and the crunch of it under my feet. Then when spring comes and the first warm day rolls around, I am sure that is the season I like the best. I smell the warm, moist ground, and there is a feeling inside of me that makes me want to breathe in some of the freshness and newness. Later in the summer everything gets lazy and slows down. There are the long beautiful summer evenings, when the sun seems to hang in the sky, reluctant to take that last drop down out of sight. Yes, that certainly is a nice time of year. But I think of autumn. To me it means the pleasant feeling of walking on leaves. It means cobwebs shining in the sun and the air hazy with the smoke from fires. Everything is settling down again after three months of carefree life. About this time, I begin to think of the cheerful fireplaces in wintertime, and I am right back where I started. So, you see, I would never be able to tell which season of the year is my favorite.

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AIN'T

RAMONA ROTH

Since this theme is to be just one paragraph long and a paragraph is supposed to deal with one subject, I doubt if I shall have too much trouble writing a one paragraph theme. My subject is just one word—"AIN'T."

I do not like the word "AIN'T" and I don't for several reasons. One reason is—I don't think it's pleasant sounding at all. It's harsh and nasal and (reason two) it twists up one's face when he uses it. Did you ever stop to consider what a hazy word it is? It's merely a substitution for two or three perfectly good verbs like: am, not, are, not, is, not, etc. Variety is the spice of a vocabulary and using "ain't" certainly cuts down on variety. Unless, of course, you substitute "fain't, hain't, and eain't" for a change. I've heard that my pet peeve is in the dictionary. I have never seen it, but if it is, the human race, and dictionary writers, are getting in a rut. Whoever originated it and why I can't imagine. Would somebody PLEASE tell me what it's a contraction from? I think this about sums up my personal feelings about it. The sum? I do not like the word "AIN'T."

Why Hubby Leaves Home

Dear bridge fans, and people not in institutions, let us first define the word bridge. Bridge is a game. A game denotes a contest, physical or mental, according to



set rules, undertaken for amusement or for a stake. Now we shall analyze our definition. Bridge is definitely a contest and most certainly is physical, (note well my bruised understanding) and mental (note well my); it is generally undertaken for amusement, but not for a stake, at least not since most rationing set in; it is supposed to be played by set rules but why be conventional?

Bridge is commonly played by women who are old enough to know better; thus we will consider it in this first article as a clubwoman's game. To be a successful bridge player at club parties one need not necessarily be able to play bridge but rather must possess the following abilities or equipment:

1. She must read all the latest books—even the uncondensed ones.
2. She must be able to misquote Shakespeare with the best of them.
3. She must spend at least five hours a day taking in and retreading gossip.
4. She should have a beautiful set ensemble of guises, knecropeas, junks, and scolleries; unless she is blessed with artificial pedal extremities.
5. She should be able to smoke anything from White Owl to manila hemp.
6. She should live so long.

With the above equipment you phone Maize, who phones her husband, who gives Maize the car, which takes you to the club. I have never actually had the pleasure of attending one of these club parties, (it is much easier to get into a Masonic initiation), but I have heard that if you are a member of the club you either attend or else you can never again hold your head up in public.

Once there, the women deal out bridge hands and then begin to converse. This ends the bridge for the afternoon as each club member has some choice bit which she just has to tell the girls.

Bridge clubs ordinarily function for the benefit of some charity although it is the confessed belief of this column that the organization benefiting most from the so-called bridge-club luncheons is the local Riot Squad which is always looking for excitement anyway. And the Riot Squad takes Bridge out of the hot, steamy atmosphere of the clubroom into the cooler which leads us to the second article of our series which will appear at a future date; the date being when my brother and collaborator, Howard Smith (he's eccentric) finishes his term of office as Trusty to the second Vice-President of Sing-Sing.

Ruth Priest

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Books in Many Fields Added to JC Library

Nearly fifty new books have been added to the junior college library since the beginning of the new semester.

New books in American history are: America, the Story of a Free People by Nevins and Commager; For Us the Living by Lancaster; and The Long Ships Passing by Havighurst.

In the field of aviation are: The ABC of Aviation by Page; and Getting into the Blue by Gann.

How to Use Your Rest by Gilkey, will appeal to those interested in psychology.

City Editor by Walker, Country Editor by Hough, The Great American Novel by Davis and Paris Gazette by Feuchtwanger will be of interest to journalists.

A number of new books on war, both fiction and non-fiction, have been placed on the shelves. Among them are: Berlin Diary, by Shuster; They Were Expendable by White; Victory Through Air Power by De Sevinsky; and Women in Battle by Birdwell.

An A Ration Card Holder



Lack of Interest Hinders Committee

Following the cancellation of the date sport night February 11, the JC social committee have had their heads together trying to formulate a plan to increase interest in school functions.

About the only logical idea submitted was to have an assembly and attempt to discover whether or not the students wish social affairs. The dismal display of interest in the last affair seems to indicate that students prefer other types of diversion. The turnout for the next social event, March 10, will settle the question, the committee decided.

Air Corps Calls Six JJC Students

Notice was received yesterday that all Army Air Corps Reserves are



to report for duty in Shepard Field Texas.

Those JC students effected by the call are as follows:

Robert Todd, Richard Seaman, Roy Goodson, Bruce Fredrickson, Nick Kuehler, Richard Birkey.

Gus Karos Writes Script for Red Cross

Gus Karos, JJC freshman, recently wrote a radio script for the American Red Cross which is now being used in many parts of the country.

The play, "Little Angels of Mercy," was requested by many of the Red Cross regional directors for use in their own territories. It was then given to the national headquarters office of the Red Cross for distribution to all chapters wishing to produce it.

Gus is now working on another script with the hope that it may be as successful as his first.

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CAPITAL to CAMPUS

ACP's Jay Rubier Reports from Washington

WASHINGTON.—(ACP)—As students left the nation's campuses for holidays at home, the Secretaries of War and Navy—with approval of Manpower Commissioner Paul V. McNutt—announced the long-awaited college training program for service men and servicemen-to-be.

Loose ends of the dual program still need to be tied together. For example, just how men are to be chosen for the college work isn't yet clear.

Which colleges will be selected for training centers is another unanswered question, although secretary of Navy Knox has said "We will give special consideration to those (colleges) with meager financial resources whose existence is threatened by the war."

Main provisions of the Army-Navy college training program are:

Army men 21 years old and under, and Navy men 22 and under, may apply for college work.

Nothing in the new plans will affect existing contracts of Army or Navy with colleges.

Men selected for college training will wear uniforms, be on active duty and receive service pay. Soldiers will go to school as privates, seventh grade; sailors as apprentice seamen.

Civilian professors will do most of the teaching.

Main provisions of the Army plan, known as the "Army Specified Training Program."

Men chosen for college training will be drawn from enlisted men who are taking, or have finished, basic training. Exceptions are medical, dentist and veterinary students in the enlisted reserves who will continue their studies under the new program in an active duty status.

Medical, dental and veterinary students not in the reserves may finish another semester of college. After

that, they apparently will be subject to selective service and will have to qualify for training under the new program in order to continue their education.

Pre-medical and pre-dental students and junior and senior engineers, whether or not they are in the reserves, also may finish another semester in college.

Fourth-year ROTC students may finish another semester of college.

All other students in the reserves may expect to be put on active duty soon.

All other students not in the reserves are subject to the draft—now.

The Navy's side of the new program is known as the "Navy College Training Program."

Normally, students in this program will be picked during their senior year in high school.

At a "date to be announced," all V-1, V-6 and V-7 reservists in college will be placed on active duty as apprentice seamen, and V-1's and V-7's then may continue their studies under the new plan at least through their junior year. Those who qualify as medical, dental, engineering and theological students may complete their professional studies.

V-5's may complete the year "current at the time of their enlistment or transfer to V-5."

Students now holding probationary commissions may resign "at a date to be announced," enter the new program, and be commissioned again later.

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Joliet Upsets Two Favorites

Upsetting all the arm-chair dopers, the JC basketball team conquered two formidable foes during the past week. The game with Illinois Wesleyan was a fight to the finish as is indicated by the 42-39 final score. Bill Schmidt was the outstanding player on the floor, accounting personally for 20 Joliet points.

In the game played at Milwaukee with Concordia college the team had to overcome an 11 point lead at the half to win finally, 57-38. Cliff Mulbarger and Ralph Gruben tied for individual scoring honors, each making 15 points.



Resolutions Made For Combined Riding Clubs

"That the members shall share their rides as much as possible that all may have an opportunity to reach the stables" was one of the most important of the resolutions approved by the executive committee of riding clubs Monday, February 15.

This committee is made up of representatives of all the riding clubs and meets in the girls' gym Monday night after school. Peggy Moran, Betty Friberg, Annette Lennon, Ruth Priest and Dave Samples represent the college riding club, and Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Kirby are the sponsors representing the Boots and Saddle Club and the Bit and Spur Club. The committee plans activities of the various groups and helps to build cooperation and understanding among the members, leaders and sponsors.

Following are a few more of the resolutions for the coming year:

That the leaders shall do all possible to instruct and encourage new members.

That the leaders, members, and sponsors shall do all possible to cooperate among themselves and thus create increased interest and good feeling.

That the leaders shall enforce the eight hour rule in relation to instruction, purchasing of riding cards, passing of tests and the checking of credits earned.

The club already claims a membership of more than 150 members and the committee hopes this season will be made much bigger.

Nation's College Enrollment Down

Champaign, Ill.—(A.C.P.)—A survey of the nation's universities and colleges shows a 9 1/2 per cent decline from a year ago in the number of full-time students.

The report, covering 667 approved institutions having 749,922 full-time students, was made by President Raymond Walters of the University of Cincinnati and was published in "School and Society," national education journal.

The University of California, with 18,504 full-time students, ranked highest in the nation. The University of Minnesota was second with 11,859, and the University of Illinois third, with 11,294.

Colgate Offers 10 Hours Of Military Drill Weekly

Hamilton, N. Y.—(A.C.P.)—The Military Training Camps association has recommended Colgate university's new compulsory 10-hour-a-week military drill and physical conditioning program for adoption by other colleges and universities.

Adopted at the request of the university's 873 students, most of whom are looking forward to military service in the near future, the program calls for an hour of drill every morning before classes and few afternoon hours a week of boxing, fencing, stick-work, bayonet, hiking, baseball, swimming and improved Commando work.

President Everett Case also announced the university is spending more than \$500 to purchase 150 bolt-action wooden guns with which students will be taught the manual of arms. Seniors will receive first instructions in the manual since nearly all of them expect to go directly into service after first semester commencement.

Peterson Commended For Action In Game

Last Tuesday night during the exciting Illinois Wesleyan basketball game here, one of the members of the opponents team tripped and fell. Though the game went on, Don Peterson, J.C.C., stopped and helped

the fellow up. Another member of the opposite team noticed what Don had done and patted Don on the back, a pat that Don will always remember. In this present world of brutality, war and strife a show of good American sportsmanship is highly commendable.

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Student Council Discusses Plans For Freshman Dance March 19

Naval Air Corps Cadets Receive CPT Work Here

Those green uniforms you see walking around school are none other than Naval Aviation cadets.

All ten cadets, except one from Illinois, are from Indiana. The cadets are staying at 415 Benton street. They came here February 12 and by April 8 they will have completed their training of 35 hours of flying and 240 hours of ground work.

From here the cadets will go to the University of Iowa, a toughening school, and from there to Navy Flight school.

The cadets present day is spent like this:

7:15-8:15, physics
8:15—the rest of the day is spent at the airfield

4:00-5:00, Civil regulations
5:00-6:00, Mathematics
6:00-7:30, Eat
7:30-8:30, Navigation
8:30-9:00, Meteorology
10:00, Lights out

Bad weather and week days which deprives the cadets from going to the field is spent drilling. Their week is a seven day one. They have Sunday off if the weather is bad.

Band Concert Will Be Given Tonight

The JTHS concert band will give its 30th Anniversary concert tonight in the high school auditorium at eight o'clock.

Included in the program will be several humorous parodies entitled, "Original Overture," correctly named Williams "Toll, by Belshazzar, and a skit labeled "A Kid Grows Up."

The concert will also have its serious side which will be dedicated to the United Nations. In this portion of the program the A Cappella choir will combine with the band to give the concert a thrilling climax.

Blazer to Servicemen

Fellows who go into the service from JJC may receive The Blazer for the postage rates only, it was announced by Delores Canta, circulation manager.

The Blazer will be mailed to anyone entering the service for 15 cents a semester. Subscriptions should be given to Delores before leaving and the address sent her after reaching the camp.

Those already in the service who wish the paper sent to them may subscribe at anytime by writing to The Blazer.

Plans for the freshman dance on March 19 were discussed at the meeting of the student council held last Monday. The theme for the dance has been chosen, but it is to be kept a secret. Committees have been chosen and are posted on the bulletin board.

The All College Sports day has been offered because of limited transportation facilities. This was to be an open house for students from all other colleges.

Len Vranichar and Peg Moran will give a report at the next meeting on the plans for the skating party which has been planned to take the place of the All College Sports day.

Class Pins To Be Ordered Next Week

The first order for the JJC 1943 class pins will be sent out next week, it was announced by James Rice of Rice and Larsen.

Shaped like the JJC emblem, the pin is in gold with a blue background for the school name. A small gold '43 is attached with a fine gold chain. Orders should be placed with Owen Road before Friday to be included in the first order. A \$2.00 deposit is required with each order.

FIVE STUDENTS LEAVE FOR ARMY

Most of the well-dressed men in JJC are now wearing uniforms. Classes are becoming smaller without the aid of manpower.

Five more fellows left last Friday. Newton Davis, Gus Karas, Dennis Principi, Frank Schmidt and Ralph Smith were sent to Fort Sheridan by the Army.

Suffer Broken Bones

George Hoskins, a freshman, broke both his wrists during gym class Monday. He was doing exercises on the horizontal bars when he slipped.

A member of the Navy Air corps reserves, George was expecting his call either this month or next. He doesn't know how his accident will effect his training.

The same day Emil Borrell, a high school student, broke his neck in a fall from the gym wall. He is in serious condition at Silver Cross hospital where a Chicago specialist operated to remove bone particles.

Gene Foust, broke his left arm Saturday night when he slipped and fell in the bath tub.

Service Section Features Annual

There will be a special section in the 1943 yearbook devoted exclusively to JJC men who are now serving in the armed forces. This section will contain snapshots illustrating the "before and after" of the soldiers.

According to the co-editors, Jack Waldmann and Jack Egan, the annual will be ready for distribution by May 15. The usual features dealing with sports, social activities and the graduating class pictures will be included in the book.

Nearly 100 per cent of the sophomores have purchased the book, the records show, but the freshmen are not supporting it as they have in the past.

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3 Freshmen Given Leads

'My Maryland' Will Be Presented April 14-16

A. H. Zimmerman, director of the JTHS A Cappella choir yesterday announced the principle leads for the 1943 musical romance, "My Maryland," to be presented April 14, 15 and 16.

Among the principals are three junior college students, Romann Roth, Dave Samples and Gene Pozzi.

Full cast for the opera is as follows:

Romann Roth, Barbara Fretche; Milton McKay, Capt. Trumbull; Edward Manthey, Jack Nagley; Marilyn Kwarta, Sally Negley; Nola Diemer, Sue Royce; either Angeline Viscum or Betty Jane Squier, Larn Royce.

William Johnson, Edgar Strong; James Beher, Dr. Hal Boyd; David Samples, Colonel Negley; Gene Pozzi, Zeke Bramble; Tedra Wolfe, Mr. Hunter; Dick Mertz, Tom Greene; Dick Jovanovich, Fred Gelwek; Gwen Kiser, Manny Lou; Don Drubk, Arthur Fritchie; Frank Gorednik, Mr. Fritchie; Paul Slocum, Sergeant Perkins; Harry Kelly, Gen. Stonewall Jackson.

Understudies for the leads have also been named. Dick Jovanovich will understudy Dave Samples, Dick Mertz will understudy Gene Pozzi, William Johnson will understudy Milton McKay, James Beher will understudy Edward Manthey, and Marilyn Kwarta and Nola Diemer will understudy Romann Roth.

Chorus made up of over 200 students will also be included in "My Maryland."

Blacklighting which met with such success in the "Pink Lady," will add a novel touch to the production.

Students in Science Courses May Be Deferred by New Order

Freshmen in college who are enrolled in science courses may be deferred according to an announcement made yesterday by Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey.

The orders said that all students in engineering, pure sciences and courses required for entrance to medical and dental schools who will complete their training before July 1, 1945 should be granted deferments.

Students who entered school last fall under the accelerated program, according to the rule, may remain in school until they complete their work.

Dean I. D. Yaggy has not as yet received an official bulletin from Washington and it is not known if the order will include JJC. It may, however, be possible for engineers to attend Illinois Institute of Tech-

nology during the summer and return to JJC next fall.

The net order will effect between 30 and 40 students here, it was estimated by Dean Yaggy.

Courses included in the deferment order are as follows:

Engineers—aeronautical, chemical, electrical, civil, heating, ventilating, refrigerating, air conditioning, marine, mechanical, mining, metallurgical, petroleum, radio, safety, sanitary and transportation.

Bacteriologists, chemists, geophysicists, mathematicians, meteorologists, naval architects and physicians (including astroscopists.)

Preprofessional students of medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine, osteopathy and theology.

Students in agriculture, forestry, pharmacy and optometry will also be deferred by their draft boards, the announcement stated.

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A New Low for Loyalty

A gallant fight to win the State Junior college basketball championship was put up by the Willensons last Saturday night on the home floor.

Morton, the favored team who was playing Joliet for the title, was backed up by a 40 to 50 person cheering section that didn't let up for a minute. Not even gas rationing kept them home.

It is cheering like the Morton students were that makes a team fight, whether favored or not.

Yet for a tournament game, on the home floor, with a team fighting for all it was worth, JJC students turned out about 14 strong. Even a championship team couldn't feel up to par with loyalty like that behind them.

Luck of support may not have lost the game for Joliet, but that no doubt had a great deal to do with it as the Willensons held Morton until the fourth quarter.

Never too high, our school loyalty slipped to a new low at the tournament last Saturday night.

Good Luck, Soldiers!

In slightly over a month 32 JJC fellows have been called into service.

No one knows just who will be next or when the next call will be made, but all must be ready when it comes. The notices are getting shorter; too short, in fact, to allow everyone to say good bye.

For that reason The Blazer wishes to say, while there is time, to those who have gone and those who will go in the future, the best of luck and write home often.

We're all with you!

In Fifteen Minutes

If you were any place from one hundred to a thousand or more miles from home would you like to receive letters from home? You bet you would. So do the fellows in service.

They miss their life back home and want to hear what's going on with the old "gang."

If you write, don't stop with one letter, keep them going. You have more time than the fellows do. Write cheerful letters and let them know that things are the same. Tell them you miss them but make it cheerful.

It takes only 15 minutes to write a good letter. Only 15 minutes less sleep is worth the cheer those few minutes can send to a friend in the service.

Alumnates

Addresses of those who go into service will be printed in this column as soon as received. Make it a point to send your address to Dean Yaggy when you arrive at camp.

James W. Seefeld '42
AV. CAD. USNR
19 Bett. A. 1-114 Hilcrest
USNFS
Jawa City, Iowa

Pvt. John H. Williamson '41
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P. F. E. Warren, Wyo.

Pvt. Eddie Bidle '42
5643 9855
Co. 76 Barr. 2617
Camp McCoy, Wis.

Pvt. R. D. Seeman
16134152, Sgd. 306 TSS
Sheppard Field, Texas

James Wisniewski, AVS-6 '42
USNR 60263
Great Lakes N. T. S.
Great Lakes, Illinois

Richard Oldoni '41, received his Navy wings last month, it is announced by the Public Relations officer of the U. S. Naval Air station at Jacksonville, Fla.

Ensign Oldoni received his commission training at the Naval Air station at Glenview, Ill. last August and was sent to Jacksonville for his advanced flight training.

He is engaged to Patricia Perry, ex-'43.

William A. Knowles, '38, is receiving his advanced flight training in the Army Air corps at Thunderbird Field, Glendale Ariz.

Made a sergeant when he completed his basic flight training, Knowles was a member of the JJC State championship basketball team in 1938 and later attended the University of Missouri as an engineer.

George Kunke, '42 Given Navy Honors

GREAT LAKES, ILL., Mar. 3.—Completing a six-week basic training course with an average of 96 per cent, George Adams Kunke, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Adam P. Kunke of 203 Madison Avenue, Joliet, Ill., was named an honor man of a class graduating today from the Hospital Corps school at the U. S. Naval hospital here. He competed for the top rating in a class of 451 Blue-jackets from 35 states.

Anatomy, physiology, hygiene and sanitation, materianals, weights and measures, first aid and bandaging, nursing, transportation of casualties and dietetics were included in the intensive course.

The honor man is a graduate of Joliet Township High School, and attended the Joliet Junior College for two years. Prior to his enlistment in the Navy he was employed by the American Cui Company in Joliet.

I've Been Thinking . . . Worth of WAACS and WAVES

Not long ago the necessity of sending more and more men to the combat zones prompted the War Manpower Commission to establish women's organizations in the armed-services. Their job is to take over the home front positions of our servicemen. Recently the announcement of the arrival of WAACS on several battlefronts was released and has caused a great deal of controversy.

Inserted within the act authorizing this new women's auxiliary was a clause stating that the service women might be sent wherever the army or navy goes. This has been the defense set up for the recent act. The wisdom of the clause is doubtful. If sometime the necessity of every person shouldering arms in that section of the world arises, surely the women will find a battlefield far different from a kitchen or an office.

Their arrival leads to this question: With all the men serving in the same capacities as the WAACS in this country and eager to go overseas, why do they send the women first? These men are certainly more capable of shouldering arms than the women, and are as capable in stenography and other jobs filled by the women.

It is the sincere opinion of the writer that the women of our nation should be kept on the home front and the men sent for overseas work.

George Wilcox

The Other Side

There has been some conflict of opinion lately about the real worth of the WAACS and WAVES. Some of our American public feel they are merely wasting the country's money when it could be spent on our real fighting men. There is a strong feeling that the average girl joins these forces only for the uniform, the romance and glamour of the thing, and is not worth what she costs the country.

The truth is the American women are doing a great service for the country through the WAACS and WAVES. Yes, it is true the WAACS are being sent to Africa ahead of some of our soldiers, but they are able to release men already there who are not in actual combat duty. WAACS are driving trucks, doing secretarial work, canteen duty, radio work, charting planes and all sorts of work that releases men for more important duties. Women in the service are new to us, but there is no reason why American women can't do the same national work as that being done by the women of our allies.

Ann Andrews



Forward?

The present world crisis has given women far greater importance. Instead of keeping house and looking pretty, women are now called upon to keep the industries going, and are doing it.

Turning back the pages of time we find a striking similarity to our present situation, a period when the men went out fighting and the women stayed at home providing the necessities of life. These people were the American Indians.

But since the reign of the Indians America has advanced. This is the 20th century. Everything is now modern. Many of us have looked with scorn on the Indian for letting the women work. But now it looks as though we are just a couple of steps ahead of the inhabitants of the country 400 years ago.

And so, civilization keeps going forward!

Len Lijers

STUDENT AIDS IN WAR PRODUCTION

George Milton, a pre-commerce student, has produced better than a ton of pork for market this fall. Starting two years ago with one, Milton has now raised 12 Berkshire hogs.

He estimates that he will raise 150 chickens for spring and he is hoping that his present herd of Jersey cows will be increased.

Milton maintained a 3.5 scholastic average in addition to his war production of farm commodities.

Only Five Army Reservists Left

Only five Army Enlisted Reserve corps students remain at school, it was announced by Dean I. D. Yaggy this week. All others have been called, the last group leaving Friday.

Three engineers are among the five. All second year students, they are to remain in school until graduation, according to the Army plans to date. The three engineers are: Donald Talbot, Louis Tomazic and Donald Allen.

Henry Wyckoff, a second year veterinary student, is to remain in school until June, also.

The only freshman in the Army reserves is Ray Asingore. He is to remain in school until further notice because he is a pre-medical student.

Symphony Orchestra Concert March 28

The Joliet Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Pasquale Crescenti, will give its annual spring concert, Sunday afternoon, March 28.

Robert Henderson, popular JJC student, will appear as piano soloist. An added attraction will be Miss Clara Marie Norcross, a soprano soloist, who won the National High school vocal contest in 1941.

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Susquehanna university students in a three-day campaign sold \$1,125 worth of war bonds and stamps.

St. Louis and Washington universities in St. Louis soon will enroll students who have completed only three or three and a half years of high school work.

Edward J. Callahan, senior at Georgetown university, recently was awarded the prize medal of the Philadelphean Debating society. His father won the medal in 1917.

Dr. Elbert K. Fretwell, professor of education at Teachers college, Columbia university, has succeeded Dr. James E. West as chief scout executive of the Boy Scouts of America.

Vassar college sophomores voted this year to give up class rings and buy war bonds instead.

The first specialized training courses for WAVE officers opened recently when 60 members of the naval women's reserve invaded the strictly masculine premises of the Harvard business school to train as supply officers.

The state of Minnesota contributed from tax funds 36.5 per cent of the income of the University of Minnesota during the fiscal year that ended June 30, 1942.

Newest course for women at New York university school of commerce, accounts and finance is in "expert family buying" designed to put consumer buying on the same business-like basis as commercial buying.

More than 800 Smith college loan library books have been sent to Canadian to be distributed in war prisoners' camps.

Ann Summers, recently graduated from the university of California, received in addition to her diploma an attractive long-term contract with RKO Radio.

Phonetics, inductive method learning and native Japanese speakers are involved in Brown university's fourth-month course in Japanese.

The state historical library at the University of Wisconsin is the largest of any historical society in America, according to figures of the society.

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College Women in the Services

Editor's Note: This is the first in a series of articles concerning the part college women have in the war, in both civilian and service life. It is written from a report of a conference held at Northwestern University in December the training college women will need for their various wartime activities.

World War I brought in its aftermath a chance for women to vote, to express their honest opinions and to cast off the mantle of subservience to the so-called superior male. However, the results of our first world conflict can almost be termed minor ones when compared to the tremendous changes already wrought in women's social and financial position by this second world war.

No longer is it a women's only contribution to war effort to sit at home knitting sweaters and socks or rolling bandages, or worse yet, just waiting for the war to end. Today, there are opportunities for college women to serve their country and help bring the day of victory closer. These fields are the Armed Services, War Industries and Community Services.

Held Conference

Major Robert L. Powell, Director of Training for the WAACS and Third Officer Helen H. Woods from the headquarters office in Washington, attended a conference of college women and instructors held recently at Northwestern University and were members of a committee devoted to clarifying the role of college women in the WAACS and WAVES.

Major Powell reported a study completed only a few days before which indicated that hundreds of jobs in the WAACS have been declared suitable for college women. Such jobs can be classified under the following heads: administrative, supply, clerical, personnel, mechanical, communications and instrument operation, hospitalization and food service.

ical, communications and instrument operation, hospitalization and food service.

Finnish School First

At present however, as the minimum ages for enlistment stand at 20 for the WAVES and 21 for the WAACS, college women should have time to complete their junior and in some cases their senior year in school.

Because of this, the committee felt that if an enlisted reserve corps were set up for women it would enable colleges to focus upon the teaching of specific courses, and would provide a real motivation for students to cover about twice as much material in the same length of time.

The committee also decided that it was not possible to present any over-all curriculum, as there are literally hundreds of jobs for which training must be provided. This is, in itself, an encouragement to all colleges, large and small, special and varied in their facilities to do their part in helping future WAACS and WAVES prepare for active service.

Given Special Courses

The committee recommended that colleges call to the attention of women students these courses, or groups of courses, which prepare for the armed services—i.e., physics, astronomy, mathematics, English, chemistry and such groups of subjects that pertain to statistics, nutrition, meteorology and cartography.

In conclusion, short war term courses, would not be restricted to college women, and not necessarily given for credit, but designed for special branches of the armed forces. They would include, map compilation, accounting, ordnance, machine testing, stenography, bookkeeping, drafting, mechanical drawing and blue print reading.

College women, the committee felt, would be available and trained specifically for the role they would be called upon to play in the present situation.

JJC Assembly Held

Last Wednesday, Feb. 24, a JJC assembly was held in the auditorium during the 7-8 period.

Dean Yaggy made several announcements and then turned the assembly over to Jack Egan. He told the collegians what the student council has been doing.

Owen Eosd announced that graduation plus could be ordered from him.

Dean Yaggy announced the Freshman dance for March 19 and the meeting was adjourned.

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Morton Wins State Junior Crown; Joliet Receives Second Honors

Cicero Team Showed Speed; Tied at Half

Morton Junior college and Joliet Junior college advanced to the finals in the Illinois state college tournament. Morton eked out a 37 to 35 win



over Wright Junior college. Joliet defeated an aggressive North Park five 44 to 32.

Morton's 37 points were scored by three players: Cuda, 16; Soucek, 16; and Grove, 11. Peterson and Goldberg scored 15 and 8 points respectively to lead Wright.

Joliet held an 8 point lead at half time with a 26 to 18 score. The lead was held thru the entire game.

This game marked the initial appearance of the only remaining member of last year's squad, Joe Schreiner. Peterson led Joliet with 12 points. North Park was led by their guards Mann and McGraw.

Joliet (44)	North Park (32)			
G F P	G F P	G F P	G F P	
Schmidt 4	0	2	Fanslow 9	1 2
Peterson 6	0	15	A'serson 1	2 1
Mulberger 2	0	2	W.A'serson 3	1 1
Gruben 3	0	0	Mann 4	1 2
Roth 1	3	2	McGraw 4	3 2
Wilcox 1	1	2	Payson 0	0 0
Martin 1	0	1	A'serson 0	0 2
Long 6	0	1	Olsen 0	0 0
Schreiner 6	0	1	Prut'ngear 0	0 0
Burger 1	0	0	Mitchell 0	0 0

Totals 19 6 11/Totals 12 8 10

North Park Loses Out As Wright Takes 3rd

A fast, aggressive, basketball team from Morton Junior college won the state junior college championship Saturday night by beating Joliet in the finals 43 to 35.

Morton jumped off to an early lead but Joliet came from behind to tie them 17 to 17 at the first half ended.

In the second half Morton outscored Joliet 26 to 18. Bob Soucek was high point man for Morton with 13 points. Ralph Gruben, with 11 points, was Joliet's high point man.

In the game for third place Wright trounced North Park 61 to 44. Perkins gained high point honors for Wright with 21 points.

Morton (43)	Joliet (35)			
G F P	G F P	G F P	G F P	
Cuda 5	0	3	Schmidt 2	1 4
Soucek 6	1	1	Peterson 4	0 2
Grove 5	2	1	Mulberger 6	0 1
Vonyika 1	1	0	Gruben 5	1 3
Hulka 3	1	3	Roth 1	1 2
			Schreiner 4	0 2
Totals 19	5	8	Totals 16	3 14



Room For Rent By Racketeer
WASHINGTON—To simple-witted gentry of acquisitive instincts, it's a rare old wand that fails to suggest a rare to easy wealth.

The ill wind of Washington's wartime overcrowding is no exception. Many a government recruit is luring the search for a room to rent may lead to the door of a petty racketeer.

According to the Washington U. S. attorney's office, here's how hundreds of newsmen are victimized. The new arrival checks his bag at Union Station and begins the room hunt. Hours later he finds a landlord who says he'll have a room available next day and a week's rent in advance, please.

The jubilant room hunter pays, pockets a receipt and departs rejoicing.

Next day he returns. "No room here, sorry," says the landlord. The hunter shows his receipt, asks for his money back. The landlord points to the receipt. It says "no refund after 10 hours."

The war worker is out \$5, \$10, or

SPRING SPORTS TO CONTINUE

With spring just around the corner, Coach A. A. Wills will soon put out a call for spring baseball practice.

The highlight of the season will be a game with Navy Pier at the Pier's home grounds, Wrigley field. Camp Grant and Port Sheridan are two other service teams to be played.

Returning letterman for baseball are Joe Schreiner and Lou Tomanic. Golf and tennis will also be played as far as plans are now, but there will be a meeting of the junior college board April 15 to decide on spring sports.

JOLIET DEFEATS NAVY PIER 50-48

A basket by George Wilcox in an overtime period gave the JJC basketball team a 50-48 win over a strong Navy Pier team. The regulation game ended in a 48-48 tie.

The Willamen came back strong in the second half after trailing 22-19 at the intermission. Wiles was high scorer for the Navy team with 18 points. Wilby Roth's 16 points was high for Joliet.

Basketball Season Ends With 14 Wins, 7 Defeats

The final gam of the state tournament not only ended the tournament, but it marked the final appearance of perhaps every member of the squad. A total of 14 victories against 7 defeats, 4 of the defeats coming at the hands of service teams, tells a story all in itself.

Following is the individual record of each player for the season:

	PG	FT	PF
Parker	19	8	17
Kwober	38	12	17
Schmidt	48	27	43
Long	3	0	5
Martin	4	2	8
Peterson	72	17	40
Mullberger	33	29	34
Schreiner	4	0	2
Bierger	7	1	5
Roth	44	21	47
Gruben	50	17	35
Crabb	3	0	3
Wilcox	3	4	6
White	0	0	2
Total	338	129	244

libraries were ordered to display "Large pictures" of Vidkun Quisling.

Quisling has a juvenile delinquency problem, too. He's using police to force Norwegian youngsters to attend youth service meetings, flogging parents if the kids play hooky.

Curricula are being expanded in occupied Holland. According to Het Nationale Dagblad of Utrecht, one of the first pro-Nazi papers in Holland, the Burgemeester of Harlem has implemented technical courses—with classes in national socialism.

Radio monitors have picked up a report that Italy's "schools of higher learning" will close for good April 30. All students will be drafted for army duty or farm work.

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Robert Henderson, talented JC student, will play a piano solo at the Joliet Spanghans Orchestra concert, Sunday afternoon, March 28, in the high school auditorium.

TWO MORE BOYS RECEIVE ORDERS

Bob Parker and Henry Wyckoff received orders to report for active duty June 1.

Parker, who first received orders to report between March 5 and March 12, was told by the Navy officials to remain in school until June 1 because he was enrolled in an engineering course.

Wyckoff will remain until June 1 because he is enrolled in a premedical course. In June he will report to Kansas State college in Manhattan, Kansas where he will study veterinary medicine.

Two Pictures To Be Shown to Students

Produced by the American College of Surgeons, two sound motion pictures, "R. N.—Serving all Mankind" kind and "White Battalions" will be shown in the auditorium March 31 during every period except the 7, 8, 9 and 10 lunch periods.

"R. N.—Serving all Mankind" is the story of two girls and their experiences in nurses' training. This film will be interesting to everyone as well as to those who are preparing to become nurses.

"White Battalions" tells the story of a young child of wealthy parents born hospital. Every junior college student is urged to attend these pictures.

'March Madcap' Tonight at 9:00

Junior collegians will dance to the music of Roy Gordon's orchestra tonight from 9 to 12 o'clock at the "March Madcap." It will be a strictly sport and saddle shoe affair, and plans for decorations have been kept secret.

Admission for seniors is 27 cents plus three cents tax and for Junior college students, three cents. The committee promises a lot of fun for three cents.

Miss Barnes is the faculty sponsor with Vernon Lubs and Rita Siegrist, co-chairmen; Claude Adams, organization chairman; Mary Phelps, activities chairman; George Walters, floor committee chairman and Evelyn Reinquist, decoration chairman.

Symphony Orchestra Concert March 28

Sunday afternoon, March 28, the Joliet Symphony orchestra will hold its spring concert.

Bob Henderson, well known JJC student, will play a piano solo as a special part of the program. Another added feature of the concert will be the singing of Miss Clara Marie Norcross, a soprano soloist.

Miss Norcross, who is 19, is a very popular singer in Springfield and St. Louis. In 1941 she won the National High school vocal contest.

With the orchestra under the direction of Pasquale Crescenti, the program will include the following numbers:

"Je suis Titania" from "Nigam," by Thomas; "Concert for Piano," by Greig; a group of songs by Miss Norcross, and "España," by Chabrier.

Navy College Program Announced; Reserves To Be Called Near July 1

Of interest to the many non-reserves in JJC is the recent announcement by the Navy of their college training program. Students interested in the Navy College Program, known as V 12, for Naval Officer Candidates, will be able to take an examination on April 2, 1943 here in the high school from 9 to 11 a. m. providing they can meet the following qualifications:

Only Few Pictures Lacking For Annual

Everything about the new 1943 yearbook is well under control according to the report of Jack Egan and Jackie Waldman. All organization pictures have been taken, and only pictures of social events remain.

Lacking this year because of a shortage will be the rigid cover. In its place will be a cover made of some more abundant material.

The staff expects to send the book to press in May and have it ready for distribution in June.

To cover some of the expenses, pop corn sales will be held. Students have been asked by the yearbook staff to support these sales to help offset the cost of the annual.

Cap and Gown Fees Due

As the graduation order for caps and gowns will soon be placed, all prospective graduates are urged to pay the \$1.50 rental fee immediately.

This money may be paid to Mr. Rogers in room 330, to Bob Henderson, or to Eleanore Meyer.

Any JJC student who is called into active service before graduation will have his \$1.50 fee refunded.

Favored Team Wins, 74-40

Nepote, Taylor Take Scoring Leads; 8 Each

George Wilcox, *Blazer Sports Editor*
Champaign, March 18.—A fast breaking Paris team tonight defeated the JTHS engers 74 to 40 in a lopsided game.

The overwhelming score was built up by the smooth-working Paris team throughout the game. Height of the Paris team aided in their retrieving most of the rebounds.

Precision shooting of the Paris quintet settled them 40 per cent of their time while Joliet made only 28 per cent.

As the game opened Joliet grabbed a two point lead, but lost it in short time. At the end of the first quarter the score stood at Paris 15, Joliet 6.

Taylor, Nepote Lead Scoring
The second quarter started out fast. Coach Ralph Patter of the Joliet team called Nepote out in the middle of the quarter but replaced him just before the half. Nepote had a scoring streak and sank three baskets before half time.

Nepote continued his streak at the opening of the second half, but was checked a game by the close-working Paris team. By third quarter Joliet forced the score to 57-27 in their favor.

Even in the last quarter when all odds were against them the JTHS engers kept pounding until the final whistle blew with the score 74 to 40.

Taylor led the Paris engers in their winning streak with 6 baskets and 2 free throws to his credit.

Nepote was the outstanding scorer for Joliet sinking 8 goals and 3 free throws. Pohlmann, favored highman for Joliet, sank only 2 with 1 free toss.

Paris Breaks Record
With, the Joliet high man favored to be Pohlmann, Paris kept him locked up and allowed Nepote a rather free run of the field until his scoring streak in the first half.

Besides winning the game, the Paris team broke the scoring record of 72 points made by Dundee in 1940, the highest eliminating game score of any high school tournament played at the George Huff gym.

A Joliet crowd of nearly 275 watched Paris romp them over.

PARIS (74) JOLIET (40)

	P	J	P	P			
Glover	5	1	3	Nepote	8	3	4
Norman	3	0	4	Geissler	1	0	4
Hum	2	0	2	Pohlmann	0	2	1
Foley	5	2	2	Fahner	0	2	0
Taylor	8	1	1	Cookes	0	3	3
Pederson	4	3	4	Thais	0	2	4
Cychol	0	0	1	Amfson	0	2	1
Swinford	0	1	0	Reimer	0	0	0
Eller	0	0	0	McQuive	0	0	0
Cochran	1	0	0	Hartnett	0	0	1

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Free Post-War College

Perhaps it is because we are college students, but we are inclined to agree with a statement made by Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt that the government should pay the expense of students who were drafted from college and who want to resume their education after the war.

This may not be correct thinking on our part, for even though the war is not our fault, neither is the direct fault of any other Americans.

We may be told that the other people are not going to get any money out of the war and there is no reason why college students should be sent back to school by the government when the war is over.

The world after the war is going to be run by technical men, men who need a college education to become technicians. When these future technicians are being called out of school to fight, they are being deprived of their chance to become the experts they hoped to be.

After the war the college may be cheaper to attend, but these students will not have the money to attend. Soldiers don't become wealthy while fighting. How, then, are they to receive the technical training required for the future?

We believe that present college students who are called out of school should be sent back to college by the government to continue their education, with all, or at least most of their expenses paid.

Should Gym Be Stopped?

As lot of talk is going around that we should stop the strenuous gym classes because they are too dangerous. Two students have been seriously injured and others may receive life injuries.

Only two, with a few sprained wrists or ankles in an excellent average considering that nearly 2000 boys are enrolled in the new gym classes given by the school.

Where would the world be if everything was given up because someone was injured. There would be no automobiles, airplanes, ships, bathtubs etc. were this idea carried out.

To stop gym classes merely because two out of 2000 boys were injured would be like stopping bathing because people are hurt in bathtubs.

Students, Let's Dance

Come on, worms, let's wiggle; shake our shoes; swing out!

"March Madcap" tonight will give us all a chance to use up our spare minutes. This annual sport dance, given by the freshmen, is second only to the formal in social importance and popularity.

See you tonight!

Navy College Program

Continued from Page 1

place throughout the nation. Students selected on the basis of officer-like qualifications including scores on these tests will be assigned to the Navy College Training program in two groups. The first group will report to colleges and universities, now being selected by the Navy, on or about July 1, 1943. The second group will report on or about November 1. Another group will report about March 1, 1944, following selection late in 1943.

Candidates accepted by the Navy will be enlisted in Class V-12, United States Naval Reserve. Those who are under 18 years of age at the time of their enlistment at Offices of Naval Officer Procurement will be placed on inactive duty until they are ordered to college. Those who are 18 years old or older will be inducted under selective service procedures and then enlisted in Class V-12 U. S. Naval Reserve, and placed on inactive duty until ordered to college.

My Express Preference

Students may express a preference for the branch of service, Navy, Marine Corps or Coast Guard, at the time of their assignment to the V-12 program. This choice will not be binding, however, for final assignment will be based on demonstrated ability, the needs of the service, and counseling during the first two semesters.

Call V-1, V-5, V-7, Marines

According to the plan, college students now enlisted in the V-1, V-5, V-7 or the Marine Corps Reserve, Class 3 (d) will be called to active duty about July 1 to be trained in conjunction with the new Navy College Training program.

V-1's to Be Tested

V-1 college students will be tested near the end of their sophomore year, and the ones who fail the test will be ordered to general enlisted service.

V-5 students will be given flight training at the end of their current year. Members of this group may be selected for V-12 training in the colleges.

Trained at Colleges

Students to be trained under the Navy's College Training program for general duties will receive one and one-half years of study at colleges and universities under contract to the Navy. This period of training will consist of four terms of college work of 16 weeks duration each.

The length of course for students who are in training for specialized service, including chaplain, medical, dental and engineering officer candidates, will vary from six to twelve terms. At the conclusion of their college work, students will take specialized Naval training leading to commissions.

JTHS Orchestra Will Give Concert Tonight

The JTHS Symphony Orchestra will present its annual spring concert at 8:00 tonight in the auditorium.

Tickets for the concert are available at the door.

I've Been Thinking . . .

Coeds

In sketching one coed I have described the majority of them. The average coed wears sweaters, plaid skirts and almost any kind of shoes as long as they have soles on them. She has a tendency to copy boys' wearing apparel.

You can tell before hand just about what the conversation between two coeds will be. It runs something like this.

"My, what a darling sweater you have on, Mary."

"I like your skirt too," coos Mary.

"Guess who Jean went out with last night?"

"I can't guess, who?"

"Joe Goodspeed."

"Really? That's a real! Well I'll be seeing you. I have to get to my rhetoric class."

This is a cross section of what the average coed talks about, clothes and men. How do I know? Well, we won't go into that.

As far as sports are concerned, the average coed is blissfully ignorant. The most she knows about any game is the number of players on the team. Her main reason for going to a game is to talk to and look at the other students, possibly pick up a date. She rarely watches the game. There are two compensations in having her attend. She adds color to the cheering section and noise to the cheering.

The majority of coeds have the same opinions on major customs and practices too, such as going steady, drinking, smoking and so on. Will somebody throw me a life line, quick! I am getting in deeper and deeper.

I do believe that coeds are of some use in the world; but I have not found out what it is. Heaven help me if a coed reads this!

—George Walters

On Reading Aloud

I like to read aloud. Such a habit often leads to severe criticism from friends, traveling salesmen, and fly-brights, but I still read aloud. The habit develops a greatly my sense of appreciation for what I am exploring. I always feel I am close to the writer by merely reading what he has just written. I feel a sense of familiarity, much more so than when I speed words through my brain, faster than the 11-15 express. The meaning of words, the mood, the character development, all are more vivid and true to life.

Of course, China is the real and original basis of mumbblings and otherwise inarticulate mutterings. And I suppose you wish to argue the fact that as I am not of Chinese origin, I should keep my gibbering to myself. Oh, no, never. I drink tea, I like chowmein, I'm familiar with Peking, and I like to shoot firecrackers. So, who knows? I may be part Chinese. The fact which almost convinces me that I am is that I like to read aloud.

—M. S.

Why They Laughed

While the apple-pie was being served, I started one of those so-called "after-dinner" stories.

The exact nature of the anecdote has escaped my memory, but, as I recall, most of my listeners began to smile early in the story. This seemed strange because usually the grins do not come until after the climax. I paid little attention to this, for it could have been the manner in which the tale was being presented that amused them; I was gesticulating to put emphasis on important parts. Then all began to laugh uproariously. That's strange, I thought; the story must be funnier than when I heard it, so I added parts as their mirth increased.

Perhaps only a few moments had passed when I realized they were laughing at the wrong time and were not even looking at me but at the table. As I glared down to see what the trouble was, the last forlorn of my was disappearing off my plate, well on its way to my "innocent" brother's mouth.

—Robert Pester

FIRST CLASS PINS WILL ARRIVE SOON

First order of the JJC '43 class pins will be received next week, it was announced by Rice and Larsen, jewelers.

It is expected that a second order will be made late next week.

Those desiring a class pin are urged to place their order early next week.

Oven Road is taking orders for the pins. A \$2.00 deposit is required with the order.

Freshman Manages Farm

Willard Rowley, freshman pre-agriculture student, is another member of the vast army of farm producers.

On the Rowley 160 acre farm east of Lockport, an increase of 33 1-3 per cent in corn and 140 per cent increase in oats has been estimated over the 1942 margin.

Freshman Rowley is the so called top-hand, being in complete charge of the daily routine. At a future date the Rowley farm is expecting an addition of approximately 150 pigs.

A Record Is Broken

Editor's Note: Penn Yaggy last week called attention to the perfect attendance record of Frank Rowley, JJC freshman. He has not been absent or tardy since second grade. Frank tells in his own words the secret behind his record.

When I was ready to start school my mother had certain rules and regulations which she expected me to live up to. One of these was a regular school attendance and no tardiness.

My first year at school was perfect. The second year I had attended school for just two weeks when I came down with the measles. After recovering from that siege I went back to school and had had a perfect attendance and a no tardiness record until last week.

I had to remain home to help mother with the moving. It was a problem, as dad or I would have to help. Since we felt dad was needed at his work (for patriotic reasons) I was appointed to the job.

Consequently, although I felt rather sorry in one way—my record was broken.

The Red Cross would help me if you needed help—help the Red Cross with its drive.

JC Party Plans Made At Council Meeting

The freshman dance, a skating party and the possibility of a dance in April were discussed at a meeting of the student council last week.

Plans for "March Madness" tonight are completed it was announced by Vernon Lutz.

Jackie Waldman reported that the possibilities of holding a skating party at the downtown rink are small, but it is hoped that a date may be secured for the Broadway rink. It was stated that a large support would be necessary if a party was to be held.

Chances of putting on an informal dance during April were also discussed. It was announced that it will be very informal, but final details will be arranged later.

If there is anything of importance that students wish done they should either attend the council meeting or ask a member of the council to take up the subject in a meeting, it was stated by the members.

Sailor Talks to Class

"Get into work you like," was the Advice of Andy Branchak electrician's mate 3rd class, who gave an informal talk to Miss Tippett's journalism class last week.

Andy talked mainly about his work on the battleship on which he is stationed. His ship has patrol and convoy duty in the Atlantic.

Stationed four decks down, below the waterline, some of the several contacts with the enemy were too close to suit him.

Andy has two sisters, who attended JTHS, Sue and Anna. He attended school here but admits that his personal view was rather pessimistic about learning.

Al Anderson Back

Al Anderson came back to school Monday after two weeks absence. He was in the hospital last week with swollen tonsils.

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College Women in War Industries

Because of the age limits, the majority of college women cannot join the WAACS and WAVES. And yet every one of them would like to make some contribution to the war effort—to feel, when victory comes, that they have helped to speed its arrival. And so the college women find their positions—in today's gigantic war industries, serving in either the factory or the office.

The recommendations on this subject by the committee which met recently at Northwestern University comprise four complete courses, the first one dealing with Production Control and Factory Management. In this course three hours are devoted to Business Organization and three hours to Industrial Management, or instead of the first two, five hours to Industrial Organization and Management.

COURSES AND HOURS LISTED

The following subjects complete course I: Motion and Time Study, 4 or 5 hours; Leadership Training, 4 hours; Industrial Relations, 4 or 5 hours; Accounting, 9 or 12 hours; Job Analysis, 4 hours; Mechanical Drawing and Shop, 4 hours.

The second course deals with Industrial Relations or Personnel Management. It is composed of the following: Business Organizations, 3 hours; Industrial Management, 3 hours; or instead of the first two Industrial Organization and Management, 5 hours; Advanced Organization and Management, 3 hours; Statistics, 5 or 9 hours; Psychology of Personnel, 4 hours; Safety and Health, 4 hours; Job Analysis and Compensation Methods, 4 hours; and Shorthand and Typewriting. These skills are important in record keeping in personnel departments.

Course III consists of General Business Organization and Industrial Management, 3 hours each or Industrial Organization and Management, 5 hours; Office Management, 4 hours;

Accounting, 6 or 9 hours; Personnel Management, 4 or 5 hours; and Shorthand and Typewriting. The "General Business" course is not recommended as a major, but only as a possible addition to the factory or personnel courses.

Course IV on Office Management consists of Shorthand and Typewriting, 12 or 9 hours; Business Organization and Industrial Management, 3 hours each; Office Management, 3 hours; Report Writing, 3 hours; Office Procedures, Equipment and Filing, 3 hours; Business Letter Writing, 3 hours; Writing for Business, 3 hours; Statistics, 6 hours; and Accounting, 9 hours.

ADDITIONAL SUBJECTS NAMED

In addition to the above, the following courses might well be taken if time permits: Economics, 9 hours; Psychology, 6 hours; Secretarial Practice, 6 hours; Finance, 6 hours; and Business Law, 6 hours.

It is clear that the assumption of supervisory responsibilities in industry has always been preceded by actual experience on the job. However these four courses were primarily designed to reduce the time necessary to get this experience. If experiments already carried out at Northwestern university are any measure of worth, they should prove successful and be a real help to the college woman preparing herself for a job in a war industry.

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SPRING SPORTS OPEN SEASON

Navy Pier on List

Coch A. A. Wills has issued a final call to all baseball candidates to report for practice Monday at four o'clock.

Only two lettermen are returning from last year's team. They are Joe Schreiner, a pitcher, and Low Tomasko, an outfielder.

One of the highlights of the season will be a game against the sailors from Navy Pier in Wrigley Field May 5. Camp Grant featuring Bob Carpenter, former New York Giant star, is also a tentative opponent.

Tennis Letterman Back

The 1943 tennis season is being anticipated with great enthusiasm. Coach Larson is counting on Will Roth, Ralph Herman, Bill Lezer, and Bill Wunderlich for the nucleus of the team.

The season is expected to begin around April 1. It is also expected that many more will turn out for the sport.

Last year Joliet ended up in fourth place in the conference with a fifty count. Ralph Herman is the only returning letterman from last year's squad.

Golf Meet Proposed

A proposed spring golf meet will be discussed at a meeting April 15. The meet held last year was won by Wright with the purple and white linksmen finishing a close second.

Cliff Mulbarger and Wayne White, Lockport lettermen, and George Wilcox, Will county junior runner-up in 1940, will form the nucleus for this year's team.

Riding Season Opens

Opening of the JJC-ITHS Riding club season has been postponed until March 27, it was announced by Dave Samples, president.

Plans are being made by the executive officers for a series of rides and parties for club members. Districts will also be scheduled.

Student: I hear the school board is trying to stop necking.

Student No. 2: That so? First thing you know they'll be trying to make the students stop, too.

—The Fortnightly

WAA MAKES PLANS FOR SPRING SPORTS

Plans for the spring season were discussed at the March meeting of the WAA held last week. Heads of the various sports gave their monthly reports.

Outdoor sports were scheduled to open the latter part of March, but the weather will determine the date of their commencement. Peggy Moran announced that transportation would be provided for the members of the Riding club.

An informal tea is being planned, to be held the latter part of April. This tea will introduce the senior girls of the high school to the college. Tea committees have not been announced as yet.

The committee in charge of the luncheon served at the conclusion of the meeting, consisting of the following members: Ramona Roth, Chairman; Viola DeAcetis, Rachel Johnson, Helen Cryder, Dorothy Marshall, Charlotte Wolcott, Dorothy Kramer and Mary Spangler.

It's a Small World

This world isn't so big!

Back in 1940 Jim Courtney went to Buys' State at Springfield, Ill. He met Bill Wink, from Detroit, Mich. and spent most of the summer with him.

Jim was in the library the other day looking through an Economic Geography book and found that it had belonged to Bill.

Bill had used it in Detroit, then sold it to a second hand book store. The bookstore in turn sold it to a local book store, from which it was purchased by a junior college student.

It really is a small world after all!

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Virgil Johnson Home

Virgil Johnson, ex-'43, spent last weekend at home when he made a four-day stopover enroute to Dayton, Ohio where he will be employed by the War department.

He recently completed a 6-month course in air craft radio development at the University of Kansas.

Graduation Pictures

Leon studios announced that JJC graduation pictures would be ready by the end of March.

All prints have been made and only mounting of them is necessary.

Exact date of their completion will be announced by Miss Christine Bunch, Leon stated.

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'My Maryland' Tickets on Reserve

Girls Offered Chance To Become Cadettes

"Join the Cadettes!" "This is your opportunity to add your name to the roll of individual service, to give our valiant men the weapons to save America," states a Curtis-Wright publication on how college girls can help in the war effort.

Eleanore Meyer, Olive McCowan, Dolores Conry, Ruth Martin, and Pat Douglas have already inquired into the information on it.

Qualifications for becoming a cadette are as follows: The candidate must have passed her 18th birthday prior to February 1, 1943, have successfully completed one and one-half years of regular college education, including one year of college algebra or its equivalent.

The cadette receives \$10 per week while studying the following: (1) drafting and design, (2) stress analysis, (3) experimental testing, (4) (4) materials laboratory testing, (5) fitting and template making, (6) technical analysis.

A cadette must be willing to go to any university in the country where the Curtis-Wright corporation sends her. For further information see Mr. Douglas.

Tuition Due Today

Today is the deadline for payment of the last installment of junior college tuition fees, according to a statement by Dean I. D. Yaggy. The money may be paid in Mr. Skell's office.

Students who have not completed their payments will not be allowed in classes after today.

'Rec' Room Table Has Past

The furniture from the mansion of Roswell Mason, Mayor of Chicago during the Chicago fire, was given to his niece Miss Anna Plant, a student of JTHS and a member of the graduating class of 1890. Included in this furniture was a walnut table with a large round top polished like glass and with legs that were hunk carved.

This table, which has gone through the Civil war, the Chicago fire, and which is about a century or more old, is now a proud possession of JJC.

Secured by Mr. John Schneider and Dean I. D. Yaggy and refinished in the wood shop, it has been placed in the recreation room.

Tickets for Sigmond Rumberg's "My Maryland" a musical romance to be presented April 14, 15 and 16, may be reserved tomorrow when the box-office opens at 7:30 a. m.

"My Maryland" which made an outstanding record on Broadway, will be given by a cast of 240. Included in the cast are a number of JJC students. They are: Gene Forst, as Zelle, the leading comedian; Ramona Roth, as Barbara Fritch, the leading lady; and David Samples as Col. Negley, a southern Colonel. Bob Henderson is the student director and pianist for the production.

According to Alex Zsazsazs, director, special scenery is being painted for the production in Chicago, which together with the elaborate costumes will add a magnificent background portraying the South of the Civil War days.

Student tickets may be secured from any member of the cast for 30 cents. Adult tickets are 50 cents.

Social Committee Plans JJC Dances

Though the dates for JJC social events are not yet verified the following were temporarily set by the social committee last Thursday.

The spring formal was wanted moved ahead due to the fellows leaving for the armed forces. It is temporarily set for April 16 with Miss Howerling, faculty adviser, and Audrey Nelson and Bill Connolly co-chairmen.

During Easter weekend there will be a skating party with Mr. Zimmer as faculty adviser and Lois Sprent and Les Vianichar co-chairmen. On May 28 there will be a mixer.

Navy V-I's Take Swimming Tests

The Junior College students in the Navy's V-I program were required to take a swimming test of thirteen skills given by C. D. Stallman, JT swimming coach.

The eight boys who took the test were Lou Pifer, Paul Langreth, Fred Whitlack, Bill Lester, Bill Wunderlick, Milton Lewis, Tony DeLozano, and Bob Caspich.

The tests showed a lack of coordination in swimming, in general, and a greater need for instruction. Mr. Stallman says instructions in these swimming skills will be taught in the intramural program which is open to college students.

BULLETIN

Ben Wilson and Len Erickson, ex-JTs, will be inducted into the army next week.

ROTC WILL GIVE ANNUAL FORMAL

The flags of the United Nations, and content post will form, for the most part, the decorations for the annual Military Ball. The ball, which is sponsored by the cadets of the ROTC, will be held on Friday evening, April 9 from 8:30 to 11:30 o'clock.

Decorations for the dance, under the chairmanship of Cadet Captains Tom Sprague and Gordon Seidinger, will feature the service flag of former ROTC cadets now in the service. Along the walls of the combined gymnasiums will hang enlarged colored insignia of the divisions of the army and silhouette of the branches of the armed forces.

Music for the cadets' formal dance will be furnished by a 10-piece band under the direction of Roy Gordon. Tickets for the ball may be obtained from any ROTC officer and are available to anyone attending JTHS or JJC, or a young army officer of the ROTC.

JT-JC To Give Benefit Gym Meet for Borella

Under the direction of Harry Walser, JT athletic director, the combined gym classes of boys and girls will put on a gymnastic exhibition sometime in May for the benefit of Emil Borella who recently suffered a broken neck.

Plans are still not definite, and the exact date will be announced later.

Soph's Pictures Ready

Leon Stadler announced this week that the junior college graduation pictures are finished. Students may call at the studio for their prints at any time. The balance due on the pictures may be paid at the studio.

Dr. Wheat Writes Farewell Letter

Dr. Leonard B. Wheat, superintendent at JTHS-JJC for the past 14 months, left this week for Wichita, Kansas where he will be superintendent of schools.

Following is a farewell letter to the students of JTHS-JJC:

March 20, 1943

To the Students of Joliet Township High School and Junior College

Today I say goodbye to our great high school and junior college and to the fine faculty and student group which we have here. In leaving only fourteen months after coming here I go with many regrets, even though I am accepting a wonderful position with a great opportunity.

My days at JT have been strenuous and check-ful of interest. I have grown very fond of our democratic student body and friendly city. I feel that we have made much progress together during a trying war year.

I wish the fullest measure both of success and happiness to all of you.

Sincerely,
Leonard B. Wheat



Don Peterson, left, and James Shephard have been called to service by their draft boards. They will leave for camp in the near future.

Spring Formal To Be May 28

At the Student Council meeting Monday, it was decided that the Spring Formal will be held on May 28. More complete plans for the event will be made at future meetings.

The members also discussed a skating party to be held sometime during spring vacation. It was also suggested that a mixer could be held on April 16th following the operaetta "My Maryland."

TWO STUDENTS WORK AT PLANT

Frank Smith and Ed Quady are really ambitious boys. Both are working at the munitions plant and going to junior college. Frank Smith is carrying thirteen hours. Ed has a special duty other than going to school and working; he is married. Ed Farrell was working at the plant and going to a junior college before the army claimed him. Students like these, who are able to maintain a good record at college as well as to hold down full time jobs, have helped give JJC its good reputation.

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Mr. Donald M. Shorge, former U. of I. instructor, has been appointed assistant superintendent of JT-JC.

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Alum notes I've Been Thinking . . .

Cadet Richard L. Joutas, '43, has been appointed a cadet company commander at the U. S. Navy Pre-Flight school, Iowa City, Iowa.

Another former JC student to receive honors at Iowa City is Cadet Rolland Fay, '42, who has been appointed a cadet squad leader.

The honors were given to Fay and Joutas in recognition of ability and leadership that they have shown during their first weeks at the Pre-Flight school.

Stanley E. Coleman, ex-'44, became a Navy air cadet when he was sworn in at the Naval Aviation Cadet Selection Board in Chicago, March 29.

Cadet Coleman, who graduated from Joliet Township high school last July, was enrolled under the deferred enlistment plan for 17-year-olds and won't be called to active service until after he passes his 18th birthday.

Following are the addresses of a few JJC boys who have entered the services recently:

Thomas F. Lucas, '43
Barracks 75
USNATTC
Norman, Oklahoma

Robert Walsh, A S '42
Co. 400, NTS
7th Bn, 10th Regt.
Great Lakes, Ill.

Ralph E. Worrell, A S, ex-'44
Co. 400, NTS
7th Bn, 10th Regt.
Great Lakes, Ill.

LaVern H. Bergstrom, A S, ex-'44, has also entered the Navy and is stationed at Great Lakes where he is undergoing boot training.

Robert Lohman, '42, was commissioned an ensign in the United States Naval reserve at the Naval Air



Ensign Robert Lohman

training center at Corpus Christi, Texas recently.

Lohman, after receiving preliminary flight training at Glendale Reserve Aviation base, went to Corpus Christi where he specialized in fighter plane piloting. He volunteered for flight training last May.

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All things come to him who waits. But here's a rule that's quicker:

Will get it all the quicker.
—Morton Collegian.

To The Blazer Editor:

I wish you would print a correction of an article about me. As I remember your reporter was O. K. as long as he stuck to figures, but I want it known that: (1) I don't consider myself to be managing a farm; (2) I am not a top-hand (sounds like shadernack lingo); and (3) I am not responsible for the "daily schedule or routine."

In reality, as I told the reporter, my dad and I farm our 160 acres together, and I am his sole help, not his boss.

If you can correct some mistaken impressions made by your article, I'll be very grateful.

Thanks a lot,
Willard G. Rowley

Boy Meets Girl

Following the graduation exercises, Blanche's mother, my brother, and I were standing in the doorway of the reception room of the nurses' home waiting for Blanche to change her clothes. I was looking about the room, noticing nothing in particular, when my attention was caught and held by one girl. I shall not attempt to describe her; it is sufficient to say that as I stared at her (I know I was staring, everything and everyone else faded into mere shadows. She stood out like a halo! Turning to Blanche's mother, I said, "Carrie, I want to meet that girl."

She looked in the direction I indicated and said, "Why that's Blanche's roommate."

When Blanche returned, her mother told her what I had said, but the girl was gone, so Blanche promised to see what could be done.

The next night Blanche called to tell me that her roommate had also seen us on graduation night and that she had been similarly affected. Joy to the world! A date was arranged for the following evening.

The next twenty-three hours d-a-g-g-e-d; the twenty-fourth threatened to get there before I did! Everything I attempted to do in my crowded me—my socks were too small, my shoes were not unlaced far enough to let my feet slip in, the buttons on my shirt were too large for the buttonholes, and my necktie resisted all my efforts to make it hang straight. But I was there on time in spite of it all!

I was just seated (uncomfortably) in the living room when they came down the stairs. I knew it was they, for I recognized Blanche's voice. I was shaking inside like an electric vibrator. In just another second I would actually be meeting her. And then they were there and we were being introduced—it was the wrong girl, not the one I was expecting!

As we walked down the street, she burst into apparently uncontrollable laughter. After much persuasion and after promising that I would not be angry if she told me, she finally sobered enough to tell me that I was not the man she expected to meet!

"How Ya Doin'?"

A hundred times a day my junior collegian friends rush down the hall and say to me in passing, "How ya doin'?"

Occasionally I stop and think about what they have said. How am I doing? Was I snobbish to the colored girl in botany class this morning? Was I selfish about kicking a pencil to a friend? How many chances to do a good deed did I let pass by unnoticed? Did I remember to inquire about the health of someone's sick mother? To some that slang expression may have little significance, but the next time someone says, "How ya doin'?" many I truthfully be able to answer, "Never did better!"

Duty of College in War

"The colleges must and will do their part to win the war, but they also have a part in the larger strategy of war and peace which they alone can play. They must conserve knowledge, teach the truth in more than contemporary perspective, promote the development of the individuals who comprise society and full shape its decisions." President Paul S. Hastings of Wilton college calls upon American colleges and universities to maintain their faith in liberal education.

What Has JJC Done?

I hear tell that the U. S. has declared war, and I am wondering about Joliet Junior college. It's true that about 35 of the fellows have answered the call to arms. However, this is the people's war, and everyone has a stake in victory (and how about a steak after victory?)

But what I want to say is this: winning the war is the business of every last one of us, and so far the store for JJC is a big Japanese zero. Northwestern, Illinois, and Michigan universities all have defunct stamp days once a week. Co-eds there have banded into groups of blood donors, bandage rollers, nurses aides, and even clubs for letter-writing to soldier men. Why can't we do the same?

I for one hate to think that the glamour girls from Northwestern are doing more to back up our JC men than we are. But the fact remains, they are. Let's go to work and help forge out victory, be it with a wrench, a fountain pen a pint of blood, or a thermometer. P. R.

JC Should Buy War Stamps

A Minute Man flag has been presented to JTHS for having 90 per cent of its students and faculty buying War stamps.

Sold through the homerooms, the stamp sales have been very successful in the high school, but nothing has been done to sell them to JJC students.

Perhaps that is because we have no home room. However, we should be included in that 90 per cent because the flag goes over JJC as well as JTHS.

Possibly a plan could be worked out whereby we could purchase War stamps in one of the present home rooms or the college office, which is called our home room.

The student council could ask for volunteers or appoint a student to take charge of the stamp sales on Wednesday morning just as it is done in high school.

'No Soap' in JJC

The expression "no soap" is certainly a reality in JJC. The lack may be a war measure, but as I remember even before the war there was no soap. This is partly due to wasting on the part of the students, but still it seems impossible to waste to the extent of complete extinction.

It is true not only in most frequented washrooms but in all of them. A suggestion to those who feel the necessity of washing your hands at least once during a day is bring your own soap.

Students might make the necessity evident by enshowering a noticeably large bar fastened to a cord around his neck. Of course, it is always possible the power that be may think we are perfect as we are, sans soap.

Stronger Sex Becomes More So; Women Are Trying to Catch Up

Have you seen any JJC girls on Tuesday or Thursday afternoons lately?

They groan when they sit down, they groan when they get up, they groan and make funny faces whenever they exert any energy. They drag themselves down the halls and limp home to throw themselves on the bed. This is all a result of strenuous commando training in the girls' gym.

Jumping over horses, climbing horizontal ladders, swinging on rings, performing on trapezes and many other stunts are demanded to build up the muscles of the women who are going to take such a large part in the present war effort. The government has ordered a strenuous program, and the girls are really "throwing themselves into it."

With the shadow of war upon us, the all-out-for-victory has been extended to the boys' physical education classes. Here a rigid obstacle course has been constructed, stressing the exercises needed to develop the many muscles of the body.

The training session, lasting 50 minutes, consists of a 15 minute warm up period, followed by an obstacle course. The rest of the period is devoted to tumbling and aerobics. Stress is placed upon safe ways to fall or to jump from high places and on proper balance.

Already this program is bringing results in cleverer minds and sounder, healthier bodies. The split second coordination and timing brought out to its fullest degree by these daily gym classes may save lives on the battlefield.



Seen from boys' gym class.

—Blazer Photo



Seen from girls' gym class.

—Blazer Photo

JTHS Earns Minute Man Flag with Stamps

"A jeep a week" is the slogan of the high school War Stamp salesman. The Student Government Association which has undertaken the project has placed Miss Shinde in charge of sales.

Under the present plan 11 teachers or book captains each have 10 home room representatives under their supervision. The student representatives sell the stamps and check in to the book captain who in turn checks in at the office.

Under this system \$5,000 worth of saving stamps have been sold since February 24, allowing the high school to fly the Minute Man banner from the flag pole for selling stamps to over 50 per cent of the students.

19 JC Men Await Active Duty Calls

There are 19 reserves still left in school that will probably be gone by July 1, according to information so far received.

ARMY

Don Talbot, Louis Tonzak, Don Allen, Henry Wykoff and Dick Arigino.

NAVY

Fred Whitlark, Bill Wunderlich, Bill Lester, Bob Gaspach, Paul Langseth, Tony DeLorenzo, Martin Lewis and Louis Fifer.

NAVY AIR CORPS

Rich Hogan, Bob Parker, George Hoskins and Bill Connelly.

MARINES

Owen Reed and Joe Schermer.

48 JC STUDENTS • School Collects 690 Books for Soldiers NOW IN SERVICE

Going—going—gone! This is the password of the girls at JJC. Each week we bid farewell to these leaving to represent the school in various branches of the service.

The 48 fellows who have left since September are as follows:

ARMY

William Marvick, Art Barnes, George Burosh, Argenti Larenese, George Schalk, Darward Killinger, Kent McCarty, Nick Kusakovich, Ian Crab, Milton Lewis, George McKay, Bob Potter, Ed Farrell, Newton Davis, Gas Karan, Dennis Principali, Frank Schmidt, Ralph Smith and Walter Leuhers.

ARMY AIR CORPS

John Klopfer, Bob Campbell, Bob Tesco, Bob Goodson, John Graham, George Fungus, Howard Peterson, Chris Christofore, Earl Carlson, Bob Osbourne, Bob Todd, Dick Seaman, Roy Goodson, Bruce Fredrickson, Nick Kuebler and Dick Birkey.

NAVY

George Woodworth, George Kunko, Tom Locas, Frank Tezak.

NAVY AIR CORPS

Dick Jentens, Ed Tolf, Walter Lemmel.

MARINE CORPS

Charles Woods.

MERCHANT MARINE

Ted Bogdan.

HOLY NAME TECHNICAL

Phil Hennon, Bob Groeneveld.

Although the actual week for the book campaign is over the collecting of books for soldiers will not stop.

While 690 books were collected, a very small per cent of these were from junior college students. According to the committees working on the book campaign there is still time to bring in books. The box will be in the JJC library until the end of this semester.

"Book campaign week is over, but our soldiers are still fighting and are still needing good books to read," explained Mrs. Peterson. The kind of books donated is important. Mrs. Peterson, (faculty teacher in charge of collecting the books) urges that students bring in books that they themselves would enjoy reading. Soldiers like adventure, travel, and detective books. Best sellers are also very much in demand.

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BASEBALL TEAM OPENS SEASON

One by one the JC baseball players have been donning their gloves and loosening up their arm muscles for the coming season.

The familiar crash of the bat and smash of a ball into a glove will soon be echoing across Richards street, for as soon as the weather permits the team aspirants will drill out-of-doors.

For the time being they will do their preliminary warm-ups in the gym.

COLLEGE WOMEN RECEIVE TRAINING

Carefully laid plans for the first of a recent conference at Northwestern University on College Women and the War Effort are already showing results. At the University of Michigan women are now being trained as engineering assistants for the army ordnance department.

In announcing the new training program Prof. Robert K. Sherlock, head of the war training program at the university, declared that it is the only one of its kind in the United States. Fifty women were chosen from among civil service employees in army installations throughout the country to be sent to the university for this special course of instruction.

The women receive a base pay of \$120 per month, plus overtime, and a subsistence allowance during their 34 weeks training period.

Classroom, laboratory work and supervised study require a total of 48 hours each week. Instruction is given in mechanical drawing, mathematics, metallurgy of engineering materials, manufacturing processes and machine demonstration. The newly formed class brings to 200 the number of women receiving special engineering instruction at the university for various agencies of the armed forces.

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Coach Wills Awards Basketball Letters

Announcement has been made by Coach A. A. Wills of those who have earned basketball letters for the 1942-43 season. He compliments the team on their fine aggressive spirit, and thinks that the season was a successful one.

Following are those who received the awards: Capt. William Ruth, Don Peterson, Cliff Mullhanger, Bill Schmidt, Ralph Grubbs, Nick Kuebler, Inn Crabb, Richard Martin, Bob Long, George Wilcox, Jack Berger, and Al Meyer, manager.

Tennis Is Promising As Season Begins

While it is rather doubtful if this year's golf team will be able to compete in the conference, the tennis season looks more promising.

With several lettermen back and prospects for a very successful season, Coach Larson is very anxious to secure as many matches as possible and the rationing will permit.

All tennis players are urged to start sharpening up their eyes, while golf enthusiasts must hope for the best.

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Students Getting Soft Believes Psychologist

Philadelphia, Pa.—(A.C.P.)—The war is going to show us our educational soft spots the hard way, according to Dr. Frederick H. Lund, who believes too many college freshmen are homesick and too many high school students tell the teachers "to go to hell."

A professor of psychology at Temple University, Dr. Lund is looking to the 18-19-year-old draft to show us these soft spots.

"Education for war should be

tough," he said. "How can we expect to have discipline in the field if these young men can't stand disciplinary action in college?"

"Pupils must be taught to obey first. Then there should be a hardening of the curriculum so that the pupil is forced to develop adequate work habits."

BULLETIN

Robert Bellaire, U.P. correspondent and Jap prisoner will give a lecture April 8 in the JT auditorium.

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Essay Contest To Be Open to All JJC Students

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Writers To Tell Why They Are Attending JJC

A \$5.00 cash prize will be given to the winner of an essay contest held in JJC next week, it was announced by Dean L. D. Yaggy.

"Why I Am Attending Joliet Junior College" will be the subject of the essays to be entered in the contest. Any student of JJC may enter merely by submitting a theme to Dean Yaggy on or before next Thursday, April 22.

The themes will be judged by three junior college instructors on content, correctness of information, and journalistic value. All themes will become the property of the Joliet Junior College.

For further details of the contest see Dean Yaggy.

Red Cross Group Will Begin Soon

Under the direction of Miss Alice Fields, JJC librarian, a JC Red Cross volunteer group will be started in the near future. Assembling game kits, scrap books and knitting will be the main projects undertaken by the group.

Miss Fields urges all JC girls and even the fellows who are interested to get in contact with her so that the class may get under way.

COUNCIL DISCUSSES FORMAL BANQUET

At a student council meeting last Monday more definite plans for the Spring formal, to be held May 28, were discussed. Plans for the annual banquet were also considered but decisions were postponed until a later meeting.

A college mixer will be held tonight in the gym following the operetta "My Maryland." Rich Meyer's orchestra will furnish the music.

Donald M. Sharpe, New Assistant Superintendent Arrives Monday

Donald M. Sharpe, newly elected assistant superintendent of JT and JJC will arrive to assume his new duties on April 19. Mr. Sharpe was selected after exhaustive interviews and thorough investigation of his qualifications.

He attended elementary school at Long Beach, California and Portland, Oregon and Lincoln High School in Portland, where he was president of the student body. In 1926 he enrolled in Monmouth College majoring in English and was elected president of his junior class. He is now

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JC Mixer After Show Tonight

Tonight the students of Joliet Junior college and JTHS seniors will dance to the music of Dick Meyer's orchestra.

Plans for the dance were made by Mary Phelps and Dick Streitz. Glenn Evans of the faculty is sponsor of the mixer.

This is the second sport mixer held by JJC this year. Dancing will be from 8 p. m. to midnight in the girls' large gymnasium.

Draft Calls Seven More Collegeans

A group of seven collegeans have been called by their draft boards recently. In the list are: Don Peterson, Cliff Mulberger, Dick Lowery, Jim Scheppach, Clair Connors, George Wilcox, and Bill Roth.

All Seats Sold for 'My Maryland' Tonight

All seats are sold out for tonight's performance of "My Maryland," the musical romance by Sigmund Romberg, which was so well received Wednesday and Thursday.

Presented by a cast of 200 students of JJC and JTHS, "My Maryland" has hit a new record in attendance for a school activity.

"No doubt 'My Maryland' with its marvelous costumes, beautiful scenery and fine characterizations will be remembered for a long time to come," stated Alex Zimmerman, director.

1943 YEARBOOK IN FINAL STAGES

The staff of the yearbook is busy these days making the final dummy with pictures. With the addition of a few more cuts the book will be ready for the printer. The staff has worked against odds, but according to Miss Christine Bunch, the adviser, the book is shaping up well.

The income still needs to be augmented. Sales of various kinds must be held. It is also planned to make collections for club pictures.

The advertising staff has decided to use a plan of page sponsors. Jack Egan and Rich Hogan ask that if any student knows of a potential sponsor, he will pass the word along to them.

Reporters are asked by Miss Bunch to have all their stories in before spring vacation.

Delivery of the finished book will be made during the first week in June.

BLAZER LOSES 5 OF STAFF TO U. S.

The Blazer staff is losing many of its members who are leaving for the service. Those left will have more work to do.

Those leaving are as follows: Cliff Mulberger, Dick Lowery, George Wilcox, Jim Scheppach and Don Peterson have already gone.

Frank Rowley, advertising manager, received a deferment until June.

Blazer Plans 'Yellow' Edition

Students and Teachers Have Chance To Gripe

Now you can get it off your chest! A "yellow" edition of The Blazer will replace a regular issue to appear later this semester.

Students and teachers are eligible to write articles of either constructive or destructive criticism for this edition. No names will be used on stories, and an attempt will be made to keep all authors' identities secret. A student and faculty committee will determine the individuality of publishing each item.

A box has been placed in the Rec room in which all items may be placed. The deadline for such stories will be announced at a future date. Typed copy will and further in keeping the author anonymous.

Purpose of this edition is to give students and teachers alike a chance to get off their chests any significant grievance of school, activities, teachers, students, cliques, attitude, etc.

Both long and short stories are welcome, but it is preferred that the length be kept under 200 to 300 words.

Usually called "red" or "bellyache" issues in some colleges, such editions of university papers have proven very successful and have assisted in bettering the school.



Four members of The Blazer staff are being called into service. Three of those leaving are, left to right, Cliff Mulberger, George Wilcox and Frank Rowley. Dick Lowery is not in the picture. Frank has been serving manager since September. George is sports editor and Cliff and Dick are reporters.

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War Stamp Counter Set Up

Will county is going to raise \$2,960,000 thru the sale of War bonds and stamps as its share in the 1: billion dollar second war loan campaign.

Junior college students, as citizens of Will county, must contribute to this drive. All of us don't have jobs; we can't give much. But we can give something.

General George C. Marshall, chief of staff of the United States army, explains the need for money as follows:

On many fronts the American soldier is now doing his job, enduring privations, suffering hardships, fighting and dying. He can do no more.

He is in constant need of planes and tanks, guns, ships, and a thousand other items of war material, all of which wear out, are lost at sea or destroyed on the battlefield.

War is always wasteful and this war more so than ever before due to the bomber and the submarine. All this costs money—real sums of money. We must not quibble over the amount. It is a price of the victory that America demands.

We must do our part at home as the soldier does, has overseas, and we must do it to the full as the soldier does who lays down his life.

Buy your share of war bonds and stamps. A war stamp counter has been set up at the JJC library counter. Buy at least one stamp a week and put JC 100 per cent into the war effort.

Release Farm Youths at Noon

Enrolled in JJC are several farm youths who live or work on farms at least part time. In most cases they are experienced farmers who can aid in farm production where a city-bred volunteer can't.

JTHS has allowed the farm boys to leave school at noon to work on farms. The Rural War Production board realizes that experienced help is needed more in farming than in gardening and is requesting that all available farm-experienced persons work in a rural community this year.

Now that half of the present semester is completed, boys being drafted, provided they have high enough grades, are given full semester credit.

The farm youths enrolled in JJC should be released at noon and given full credit under the same conditions as those who are drafted. The farmer is a soldier on the home front.

Blazer 'Bellyache' Edition

It is an American heritage to be able to gripe. We all like to make criticisms, constructive as well as destructive.

In a future edition of The Blazer JJC students will have the privilege of griping as much as they wish.

No name or initials need to be signed to copy put in the box in the Rec room. In fact it is hoped that copy will be typed further to conceal the identity of the writer.

A student-faculty committee will judge the quality of the articles to be printed.

Now is your chance to bellyache. Don't miss it!

Alumnates

Naval Aviator Cadet Warren Armstrong, ex '42, has been transferred to the Naval Air Training center at Corpus Christi, after successful completion of the primary flight training course at the Naval Air station at Glenview, Illinois.

After passing the advanced flight training course at Corpus Christi, Cadet Armstrong will pin on his wings as a Naval aviator and be commissioned as an Ensign in the Naval reserve or a Second Lieutenant in the Marine Corps reserve. Armstrong is a graduate of JTHS. He began his Naval aviation career at the Navy's Pre-flight school at the University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa.

Pvt. John H. Williamson, '41, returned home from Fort Warren, Wyo. for a seven-day furlough. He is a member of the quartermasters corps of the Army. His address is as follows:

Pvt. John H. Williamson
Hq. Co. QMRTC
Pt. Warren, Wyo.

Jelet Junior college is well represented in the armed forces. Alumni and undergraduates are upholding the record of JJC and their country's honor wherever they are stationed. They gently appreciate letters.

More addresses of former students now in service are given below.

Pvt. Ray M. Goodson
94th C.T.D. (air crew)
Harris Hall
San Marcos, Texas

Pvt. Fred Bewersdorf
Battery A
490th C.A. B. (AA)
Camp Davis, North Carolina

Pvt. William R. Berkey
44th College Training Detachment (air crew)
Union University
Jackson, Tennessee

A/S Robert E. Todd
A.A.F.C.T.D. (air crew)
Barracks 67
University of Denver
Denver, Colorado

Dick Sokatch, former JJC student, is now enrolled at the University of Michigan. His address is:
Richard Sokatch
105 Adams House
Western Quadrangle
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Robert MacDonald was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps Reserve and was graduated from the Naval Air Training Center in Corpus Christi, Texas, April 6.

He has passed rigid requirements of the basic and instrument courses and then went on to receive specialized instructions in the Navy's patrol planes.

Lt. MacDonald volunteered for flight training last May and received preliminary flight instruction at the Glenview, Illinois, Naval Air station.

I've Been Thinking . . .

Mail Call!

Editors Note:

Don Kaffer, now stationed at Jefferson Barracks, Mo., was called into service from JJC last semester. He completed the work for his credit in rhetoric after entering the service. "Mail call" is an extract from one of the themes he sent back.

"Mail Call!" the two most listened to words in the service. Being a soldier, I'll tell you what these words mean from his point of view.

About five o'clock in the afternoon, just after they have completed a hard day's training and are dressing for retreat, the soldiers listen impatiently for the mailman's magic words. When he steps into the barracks and yells "Mail Call!" the soldiers come running in whatever state of dress they have reached.

The boys upstairs in the barracks come leaping down the steps and crowd around the bearer of happiness along with those from the ground floor.

He begins "Attena, Attenoff, Burns, Burnett, Bryan—" as his name is called, Bryan's face lights up, and he shouts, "Here!" He eagerly reaches for the letters. "Just a minute. Here's a package," says the mailman, and several men who bark near Bryan shout, "We cut tonight!"

The call goes on—Canella, Cosgrove—

You look at Biswell, who is standing next to you. As the B's are passed, his face drops and he experiences. He may murmur, "Mail's slow tonight." You know Biswell was expecting a letter. He hasn't heard from home in three days.

"You'll get something tomorrow, you say to him. But it doesn't help. Half the night he'll be wondering why no one has written to him for three days.

"But three days?" you may say. "I don't average a letter a week." Maybe you don't, and maybe Biswell didn't either, but he was right with his friends at home. They didn't write when he had something to say. They called him up or dropped in to see him. But here, the only way he keeps in touch with news at home is through letters.

So those two magic words, "Mail call," are the bearers of hope or low morale for the serviceman, depending on how often his friends take just a few minutes off to say "Hello" to the fellow with whom they used to spend many hours a day.

—Don Kaffer

The 'Ignorant' Farmer

The other day I read an article by a student of my acquaintance in which said acquaintance stated that "farmers, as a class, are ignorant." I wondered what the adjective "ignorant" meant to him. On reading further, I found that, to the student, the term included not only the dictionary meaning—"lacking knowledge"—but also two characteristics which he felt belonged to all farmers; namely, the inability to "get along" with neighbors, and dullness of personality, socially speaking.

Apparently, the source of information for this literary tidbit was a musty volume on FAMOUS FEUDS OF KENTUCKY MOUNTAINERS 1856-1866, or some similar book, for the students farmer must have "bookishness" as well as a strong back and a fund of experience. He must be a good mechanic and a fairly accurate weather prophet. He must have a practical knowledge of botany, zoology, economics, book-keeping, and chemistry, in order to raise profitably and market his products and to understand and to maintain his soil's fertility. To some degree, the "ignorant" farmer must be his own veterinarian. He must also "know" building materials and how to use them. Perhaps this clears up our chum's mind on the dictionary meaning of "ignorant."

As to a lack of social polish: Probably the country boys and girls do have less fun than their city cousins and are consequently distasteful to "city-dwellers." Remember though, that condition is due to their long working hours and that mechanization of farms, together with the automobile, is bringing farm boys and girls closer to recreation centers.

So don't take up your high comments on the "ignorance" of farmers after this, thank you. We're not as dumb as we look to you.

Walden Rowley

Stamp Drive Will Begin Wednesday

You'll never catch us of the Blazer Staff leaning on our linotypes letting printer's ink flow under our feet. When we decide something should be done, it's no sooner said than done.

What things on this burst of enthusiasm, and loving pride is the victory bond for war stamps and bonds which will have its grand opening next Wednesday in the junior college library.

The entire project is under the supervision of Miss Alice Fields, the JJC librarian, and the Blazer. We open for business at 8:30, and close at 9:30, with waiting customers never turned away. So bring a fistful of cash, because if JT can't do it, JC can do it double!

Don't forget, Wednesday is the day. Make your war stamp purchases for the week at the Victory booth in the library. And remember, Miss Fields and the Blazer have great faith in humanity, especially the small section of it clustered around JC. So don't crush us by not appearing to make your purchases, but instead—"Take two, they're small!"

People Too Complacent

"It seems that people just don't realize that we're at war. They have never tasted the bitterness of war or have felt its sting, so naturally they say it's all over there. And unless they wake-up—and I mean unless they wake-up—they will forget to ever awaken from their dream for reality just won't be there."

So writes William Meyer, FJC, '37, on naval duty somewhere in the Pacific. Always known to be an optimist, this is a strong statement for Meyer to make and must bear some weight to be said by him.

High School Awarded Flag

JTHS has received the minute man flag which indicates that over 50 per cent of the students and faculty have been buying war savings stamps each month. If sales fall below 90 per cent the flag will be taken away until students again buy the specified amount.

Another flag awarded to JTHS is the white first aid flag which identifies the school building as a first aid station in case of an air raid. This flag was given by the First County Defense area.

Students Write Of Army Life

Dean I. D. Yaggy recently received a letter from six JJC students who left to train in Texas for the Army Air Corps: Dick Seeman, Ray Kachler, William Birky, Bob Todd, Robert Frohish, and Ray Goodson. The boys wrote:

"We find Army life vastly different from our carefree college days. Some things are very distasteful, but we know that there is a purpose for everything we do. On the other hand the Army tries to make our stay here as pleasant as possible. We are furnished with churches, libraries, theaters, and many forms of recreation.

"Our basic training here will last from four to six weeks, and consists mainly of close order drill, exercises and lectures on general Army life. After this training, most of us will be sent to universities throughout the country. A few will go directly to preflight training."



CAPITAL & CAMPUS

ACP's Jay Buchter Reports from Washington

WASHINGTON—When today's collegians come home from the wars to assume their education, they are virtually unware of real academic credit for their experience and training in service.

The idea is not new. At the end of the first world war, colleges and universities gave a credit to returning veterans. But the plan then in operation was not satisfactory, for it was "blanket credit."

Educators are determined that this time machinery shall be set up to appraise objectively the educational opportunities offered by the armed services. Credit so granted would confer to high educational standards and do justice to the competence of the veteran.

The suggested credit program can become effective only if and when colleges take individual and group action to make it effective. The American Council on Education, as giving leadership to the drive to see that the program takes hold before

When general demobilization comes, the Council says, it will be too late to blank another move for "blanket credit." The battle must be won on every campus now. It's too late.

THE MARINES HAVE A WORD

Probably no news story in the history of the war has been refuted more times than the yarn about how much reason refused to unload a ship at Guadalcanal because it was Sunday.

Soon after the report was published, it was denied by Joe Curran, president of the National Maritime Union, who pointed out none of his union's agreements prohibit Sunday work. Other denials came from Lt. Col. Lewis B. Fuller, Marine veteran of Guadalcanal; Maj. Gen. Alexander Vandergrift, commander at Guadalcanal, and Admiral William F.

Council Discusses Spring Social Plans

Plans for the annual spring formal were discussed at the Student Council meeting on March 22. More information about the event will be given by Bill Connelley at the next meeting. Plans for a skating party and a dance to be held sometime in April were also discussed.

Members of the Student Council stated that the Freshman dance was a success and that they wish to extend thanks to the dance committee for keeping the expenses down.

Print Shop Wins Award

The JTHS print shop won first place at a recent meeting of the Illinois Vocational Association. The J-H Journal was given a blue ribbon for the excellence of its printing and the student handbook a red ribbon. The meeting was held in Peoria, Ill. April 2 and 3.

The Blazer is also printed in the school shop.

WILCOX FINDS JJC FRIENDLY COLLEGE

George Wilcox, who did a year's work at Dartmouth before enrolling in JJC this semester, told a Blazer reporter that he has enjoyed the semester and got a lot out of his work here.

"I feel that I made no mistake in returning to JJC Junior College for this semester's work," said George. "My parents, who at first opposed the transfer, now agree with me."

George says he does not find the work here as difficult, nor does he work as hard as he did at Dartmouth. Part of his early difficulty at Dartmouth he ascribes to his enrolling in the summer and the adjustment to a new way of life. Last semester he found the work easier.

He enjoyed most of the contacts with students from all over the country. He had two roommates, one from New York, one from Geneva, Illinois. The man from Geneva was his chief pal; probably they had more common interests.

Wilcox values highly the closer relationship with teachers possible at junior college. "At Dartmouth," he said, "they talk a lot about the teachers being your friends, but when you go for an interview with one, you never feel that he has any real interest in your problems." He thinks it is a wonderful thing for JJC to have a junior college.

George has his orders to report to the army next week.

This Collegiate World

By Associated Collegiate Press

A University of Texas freshman, 15-year old Todd Lowry, is the world's youngest owner of a "See-Ing-Eye" dog.

Lowry, blinded six years ago when a gun he was cleaning accidentally discharged, is planning to study law. He spent last summer at the Seeing Eye foundation in cooperative training with his canine companion, Duchess.

Leinenweber III

Harry D. Leinenweber, instructor of Political Science and History of Civilization, has been ill for three weeks with sciatic rheumatism. His condition is improving steadily, however his return is indefinite.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hawes as substituting during Mr. Leinenweber's absence.

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Baseball practice officially got under way last Monday with 10 boys reporting to Coach A. A. Wills. Cold weather and wet grounds have prevented practicing outside.

Joe Schreiner, a pitcher, and Lou Tencate, an outfielder, are the only returning lettermen. Other possibilities for regular berths are Rich Martin, shortstop; Wayne White, first base; Don Allen, catcher; Bob Long, second base, and Bill Schmidt, out fielder and pitcher.

The draft has hit coach Wills very hard, and he is urging any boy who can at least catch a ball to report. The first game will be played May 1 against Lisle, at the Richard street field.

The schedule for this season is as follows:

- May 1—Lisle, Ill.
- May 5—Navy Pier, T.
- May 8—Morton, T.
- May 12—Navy Pier, H
- May 14—N. Park, T.
- May 18—Herald, T.
- May 24—Wilson, H.

Lions Club Fetes Basketball Teams

In accordance with the custom of honoring the Joliet basketball teams, the Lions Club entertained Catholic High, Township High, and Junior College squad at their April 8 meeting. After a few brief words of introduction by the chairman A. A. Wills, he introduced Franklin O. Doyle, a noted astrologist who entertained for the rest of the program.

Those present from Junior College were: Captain Willie Roth, Ralph Gruken, Richard Martin, Cliff Mulhargen, George Wilson, Bob Long.

OFFERS NURSING DEGREE

Knox college and the Galesburg (Ill.) Cottage Hospital School of Nursing are jointly offering a five-year combined course leading to the degree of bachelor of science in nursing and the graduate nurse certificate.

WAA Plans Annual Tea for JT Girls

Plans are being made for an informal tea for high school senior girls to be given April 29 at 4:00 in the girls' gym. The purpose of the tea is to give the high school girls some idea of WAA activities.

As president of the WAA Mary Jayne Pohl is the general chairman. Other committees are as follows: entertainment: Jacqueline Waldman, chairman, Annette Lennen and Evelyn Barnes; program: Gwen O'Neill, chairman, Rachel Jackson, Beatrice Blinn, Janet Morris and Peggy Benson; refreshments: Evelyn Lavine, chairman, Peggy Moran, Pat Douglas, Betty Friberg; Jean; Sean Roth chairman; decorations: Rita Siegrist, chairman, Evelyn Rhenquist, Eleanor Meyer, Viola DeAcetis, and publicity, Marian Palmer.

The kinds of such sport will tell a little about her activity. The speakers will include: tap—Delores Costa, golf—Betty Friberg, bowling—Evelyn Barnes, riding—Peggy Moran, swimming—Viola DeAcetis, archery—Luth Martin, orchestra—Annette Lennen, basketball—Helen Cryder and co-recreation—Pat Douglas.

Graduates Keep High Averages at U. of I.

Jobet Junior College students who go on to the University of Illinois have little trouble adjusting themselves to the work there. According to a report recently compiled by Dean Ira D. Yaggy, covering the five school years 1932-1937, Joliet Junior College students at the university maintained an average of 3.638.

This average is a credit to the students and to the college, as it is .418 above the average of all students in the university during the same period.

The report reveals that sixty out of ninety students made higher averages there than as members of the Joliet Junior College student body. This may point to one of two things: that our graduates work much harder at the University of Illinois or that work is harder here at JJC.

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WILLIE ROTH WINS TOURNEY

Willie Roth won the first annual table tennis tournament held in the boys' gymnasium during the past two weeks.

The tournament had 10 entries, and the championship match was three out of five games. The pairings were as follows: Bill Connelly and Bill Roth, Bob Scuttsch and Ralph Gruken, Bill Wunderlich and Lou Fifer, Len Vranichar and Rich Martin; Jack Egan and Lee Robinson drew byes in the first round. Roth, Gruken, Fifer and Vranichar won their matches.

Roth and Fifer entered the finals, Roth winning three out of five.

Ballyhoo for Bonds

A survey of 300 schools netted a huge collection of bright ideas for boosting bond sales. There are such appeals for saving as "Cut on Cokes" and "Get along without that cashmere cardigan." At Vassar, the girls called off their class rings and a prom in favor of war savings. At Goucher college in Baltimore, they're giving mock driver's licenses to every student purchasing an interest in the jeep the school is buying with bonds. Sophomores at Marquette college in Chicago invested proceeds from a stallion in bonds. Exchange booths for accessories—a cut-off lapel pin for a war savings stamp—are favorite devices elsewhere. At Hood college, Maryland, a rolling booth prowls the campus, preceded by buglers and a chorus.

All of which may remind you to put some loose change into war savings stamps today.—(ACP)

Golf Out for Duration

At a recent meeting of the Illinois Junior college conference coaches at a Joliet a decision was reached to abandon golf for the duration. There will be no spring matches nor a spring tournament.

The boys will have to play on their own, commented Coach Wills.

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College Women and Community Service

There is a wealth of opportunity for the college women to serve with in the vast field of the practical social sciences. The dominant organization of this type in the United States is the American Association of Social Workers with a membership of 8,000.

However, from every quarter comes word that the supply of trained social workers according to prescribed standards is totally inadequate to meet the needs of the war emergency, both during the war and for a considerable period afterwards.

Because of this looming shortage, the committee on Community Service recommended an emergency curriculum. Such a curriculum would have a double purpose: to provide a corps of at least partially trained workers and to offer an incentive to continue professional training as opportunity later permits.

The following is a sample one-year course in Community Organization such as is now being offered in many colleges, large and small.

The course includes OCD, community chest, council of social agencies, and certain fields of the Red Cross.

At least 15 hours of social science courses such as the following are necessary:

Community organization, movements for social reconstruction, introduction to social work, economics, labor problems, business organization, social psychology, social problems, urban or rural sociology, social and public government, and public administration.

Visits to all local welfare agencies and public services were deemed desirable for the additional experience they would give.

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Very Good and Excellent Ratings for Writing, Style

The Blazer was rated a second class junior college newspaper in the 28th All-American Newspaper Critical Service sponsored by the Associated Collegiate Press.

Graded on news value, writing, editing, features, headlines, typography, printing, makeup, sports and editorials, the Blazer received very good or excellent ratings on nearly every phase judged. A score of 835 out of a possible 1000 points was awarded the paper.

Only issues of the first semester were entered in this and the staff believes many changes made this semester would have raised this rating above that received.

Two new grading points were entered in the service recently. They included the school's activities in the war effort. Because the Blazer had done little of this sort of work the first semester it received only an average grade.

News value of the items was considered very good. Content and style of writing were considered very good while organization and leads were termed excellent.

Features varied from fair to very good in style and writing.

Headlines, makeup and printing were rated as excellent. Editorials were considered very excellent but comment on failure to cover "outside" world problems was made.

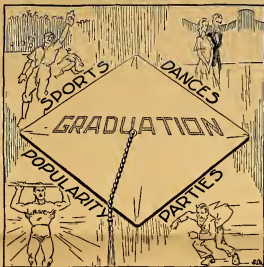
Coverage and treatment of sports was considered excellent while the writing was very good and the display poor.

Full Credit Given Drafted Collegians

Junior college students who are drafted or called into military service during a semester are entitled to a refund of tuition in proportion to the number of weeks left in the semester.

Students accomplishing enough work to earn partial or whole credit will receive only that portion of tuition representing the unearned credit.

Full credit will not be granted unless the student has: 1. Been in regular class attendance at least 12 full weeks, 2. Been doing work of C grade or higher and, 3. Satisfied the requirements of the course.



Borella Memorial Program Tonight

The combined gym classes of JT and JC will present a "Physical Fitness for Victory" program in the gymnasium tonight at 7:30 o'clock.

Tickets are 50 cents and the entire proceeds will go into a memorial fund for Emil Borella who was fatally injured while running an obstacle course March 1.

The program for the evening will be as follows:

1. Relay by freshman boys, 2. Relay by freshman girls, 3. Ranger Drill, wrestling, obstacle course, 4. Rhythmic, 5. Tumbling (boys), 6. Tumbling Rhythmic (girls), 7. ROTC drill team, 8. Team games, (football, basketball, volleyball), 9. Apparatus (boys and girls), 10. Free Exercise (boys), 11. Condition drill (girls), 12. Finale.

The JTHS national championship band will also participate in the meet.

Miss Hyde Out Two Weeks

Miss Lois Hyde of the English department is ill with an acute case of laryngitis.

Miss Hyde has been out of school for two weeks.

JC Class Pins Are Ready

All the class pins that have been ordered have arrived, it was announced by Rice and Larsen Jewelers.

Two extra pins were ordered to have them ready in case any other students wish to purchase one before graduation.

Yellow Edition First of Its Kind

Here it is! Your gripe profs and pupils, friends and foes.

This is the first issue of its kind to be published in the Joliet Junior college.

Slow to Realize Privilege Offered

At first students didn't realize that a privilege to offer both constructive and destructive criticism had been offered them. They were also slow to respond but finally came through.

It may be possible to make this type of issue an annual or even semester affair in the future, it was decided by the staff.

Has Historic Significance

The yellow paper on which the issue is printed was chosen for the historical significance of the form of journalism used in the paper.

Joseph Pulitzer, Randolph Hearst, and several other prominent journal-

Has Southern Mansion Setting

Roy Gordon To Play; JT Seniors Invited

Roy Gordon's orchestra will play for the annual spring formal which will be held in the gym next Friday, May 28, from 8:30 to 11:30 o'clock.

Audrey Nelson, one of the chairmen in charge, advises everyone to get a date now: "Men are scarce," says Audrey, "but 'let's in the guerre' and we must make the best of the situation."

High school seniors are also invited and may get their tickets at the college office for \$1.10 standard price.

Audrey Nelson and William Connolly are co-chairmen for the formal with William Lesser, Helen Gleyder, Jack Egna, and Vernon Lubs assisting as committee heads.

JC Picnic June 7; Banquet Called Off

"Up to now banquets have been very successful, and I'm afraid that due to the decrease in attendance the banquet wouldn't turn out a complete success this year," said Dean I. D. Yaggy.

The student council has therefore decided to follow Dean Yaggy's advice and has canceled plans for the banquet.

However, plans for the annual school picnic are progressing rapidly. The picnic is scheduled for the Monday June 7 after exams, and is to be held at St. Charles or Aurora.

Tom Reilly and Evelyn Lavine are in charge of the plans for the picnic.

ists of the late nineteenth century carried on what was called "yellow" journalism. They jumped the traces of "authorized" publishing and printed what they thought, felt and wished. It was the beginning of the sensational newspaper and was given the name "yellow" because of unconventional material this included.

Yearbook Ready in June

If you don't have your yearbook ordered by now you are just out of luck, because all copy is in and has been sent to the printer.

The book, which contains special art work by Darlene Lesdner and Ramona Roth, will have 68 pages. Bound in an attractive letterhead cover it will give information about teachers, students and their activities.

The '43 JC yearbook will be ready sometime in June.

The Blazer

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AN EDITOR AND HIS GLUTEUS PAINS

Teachers can sit crosslegged on the top of a desk; student body presidents can fraternize with the masses.

Only an editor is required to be pontifical always.

Only an editor is supposed to know everything that happens, so it is taken for granted that he already knows it; and nobody ever tells him anything; only an editor is supposed to keep an open mind always, and at the same time to make snap decisions for each political impasse; only an editor is required to keep his nose out of politics, meanwhile keeping too on the strength of each separate lineup.

Teachers have their apple-polishers who ask questions after class; student body presidents hear quarterly reports; all other members can get to council meetings.

Only an editor has to guess.

Only an editor has to grope blindly along, trying to put out a paper for a student body who will talk only behind his back, who will never tell him what they like or don't like, who will snarl audibly only when they are mortally and irreparably wounded, who never thank him when he says anything nice about them or censor anything nasty, who have to be tracked down, cornered, and beaten insensible before they will so much as give him a news lead.

Teachers have the satisfaction of seeing their teachings put into practice; student body presidents can point with pride at the end of the year to long rows of achievement.

Only an editor never accomplishes anything.

Only an editor has to endure the spectacle of 199 out of his 200 readers, with each awareness of the Blazer, thumbing through it and flippantly discarding it ignoring the layouts on which he and his staff have spent hours of pain; to feel his editorial campaigns which he has planned for weeks, which are his only method of criticism to his school and of society, coldly ignored.

Teachers get to sit on the stage; student body presidents get to introduce visitors.

Only an editor is damned enough

Students' Poor Attitude

My chief criticism of this school concerns the students themselves. They either don't realize or don't care about the splendid educational opportunity available to them through the Junior College. Most of them have the same don't-give-a-damn attitude toward their studies and their school. The school tries to give them social activities, but most of them (notably the ones who complain that this place is dead) don't even attend.

Yet they can't stand to have this brought to their attention. Dr. Wheat was one of the few persons with courage enough to tell them what a lazy lot they were, and they acted like a lot of spoiled babies. Instead of improving they have become worse.

Some of them rationalize their attitude by the way saying "What's the use?" I hope the world says "What's the use?" when these weak-willed students come to face it.

Students, America wake up just in time. Why don't you?

not to want to trade places with any of them.

And, when all's said and done, only an editor has the satisfaction of knowing that his thousand words are issues are written down in letters that can never be erased; of feeling something in a way which must have immediate and lasting effect; of knowing that, if he knew how to use it, he has the whole city for his audience; of sensing that he is doing a job for the students which no one else could do in quite the same way; and last but not least, of being sure of a staff that, no matter how much he is forced to abuse them, deny them any reward for their work, will be driven back for more by pure love of literary effort.

Only an editor would gripe about it.

(With apologies to "The Purple and White" and the ACP.)

Alumnates

'42 GRAD ON FURLOUGH

Sgt. William Peet, who entered the Marine Corps last July, was home on furlough for a few days last week. "It's plenty tough," was his chief comment, but he thinks it is "swell." He wouldn't take any other branch.

"After three weeks of marching eight hours a day, six days a week, they send you out on the rifle range where you can hardly see the target 500 yards away, but still have to hit the center. And when they get through with you, you can," he commented when asked about the training.

"When this is finished you get the real stuff. Mile-long obstacle courses and so forth." You aren't a civilian in any sense of the word after you finish the course, Bill says.

His address is as follows:
Sgt. William Peet ('42)
Hr. Sqd.
Marine Corps Air Station
Mojave, Cal.

Other addresses are:
Pvt. Thomas J. Mulvey
USMC
RDMC
San Diego, California

Pvt. Ruth A. Woodward ('36)
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South Hadley, Mass.

"Snug Harbor" June 8

The Tuxis Society of the First Presbyterian church will present its annual spring formal on Tuesday, June 8. The dance will be held from 9 to 12 o'clock in the Heffman Hall of the church.

The theme of the dance is "Snug Harbor" and music will be furnished by Roy Gordon's orchestra. Tickets are 99 cents and may be purchased from any Tuxis member. All college students are invited.

Gentle Art of Being a Gentleman

It's hard to be a gentleman today! At one time, if a fellow was polite, he was a gentleman, but now if a fellow is polite women consider him a wimp. This opinion prevalent among women today and the fact that being a gentleman is, more often than not, a thankless job, combine to decrease the number of the species, and gentlemen will some day be ranked with the Dodo bird as a "genuine extirpatus".

Not long ago, it was a pleasure to be considered a gentleman and do acts of kindness to the ladies, both young and old. Now, however, if I offer my seat to a lady, hold open a door, or pick up a dropped parcel or book, I not only go thankless, but I am also frowned upon. If the lady is elderly, only then I am a gentleman. If the lady is middle aged, I am a "fresh young man." And if the woman is young, I become to her girlfriend, "the waltz that tried to pick me up yesterday".

Miss Fields To Leave JC for George Field

Lucky Strike Green has gone to my face. Why? Because Miss Alice Fields has just landed what might aptly be titled the swiftest, smoothest job in the land.

She leaves Joliet May 28, and reports June 1 to George Field, Illinois as their new librarian. And by "their" I mean no less than 26,600 healthy, happy, and no doubt handsome air corps pilots who are taking their final ten weeks of flight training.

Miss Fields will be a member of the Special Service Branch of the army, and as this branch has charge of all recreational facilities, she will also act as hostess at all dances, parties etc.

As to her uniform, an "E" should go to the army on this case: it will be light blue gaudium with an overseas cap to land her. And then, in case Miss Fields ever feels need of feminine companionship, there are a few nurses and WAACs at the field; but it seems that the C. O. wants all girls to mingle with the air corps, so they, no doubt, won't be seeing much of each other.

Constructive Criticism

A COLLEGE TEACHER

Mr. Harry Leinenweber is one teacher who really treats us like junior colleagues and time is not wasted in his classes. So have to Mr. Leinenweber, a college teacher who "hits it off" with college students.

A SMILING SECRETARY

This is supposed to be a paper for complaints. There's no complaint in this article for this is about Miss Grace Stadler, Teacher's probably not a student in school who has seen her when she wasn't smiling, friendly and willing to help.

One other thing that makes it hard to be a gentleman is the surprising lack of gentleness! Immediately, when I say this, I can hear the hue and cry of women demanding "What do you mean?" This is what I mean. When a woman gets on the bus wearing slacks, carrying a lunch bucket, smoking a cigarette, and describing in lurid detail the time she had at "Knox's Place" last night, I definitely don't feel the urge to give her the seat that I was lucky enough to find. Again I hear the cry, and this time it says, "But that's not me." I'll say only this. There are many ways not to be a gentleman, and I shall put all un-gentlemen into one class as one of the above mentioned women put all un-gentlemen into one class.

If to be a gentleman is to be considered a wimp, and to be a wimp is to be no gentleman, then what is the gentle art of being a gentleman survive?

Our Rec Room Library's Losses

Rec Room Wreckers

This note is for the purpose of calling to your attention the alarmable condition of your so-called recreation room. The attitude of some of these degenerate college students in regard to the purpose of our room is wholly out of tune with the original conception therein.

The deplorable condition of the furniture and the walls of this room merit a general spring house cleaning.

The reason for this condition is the adolescent minds of our so-called intellectuals.

Means for Improvement

What is the Rec room for, if no forms of recreation are provided? Even a few machines would help. Other schools provide poker games such as checkers. A radio kept at a moderate tone would be appreciated and taken care of by all. These are a few suggestions, not gripes.

Over-Length Classes

It's a little class but we have a big complaint. When the bell rings at 8:45 it usually means the end of class for the day, but not for us. There hasn't been a day that we've been excused before the bells were rung. Once in a while students don't mind being held over, but every day—that's too much. We'd also like to be able to attend the assemblies. The whole junior college has shortened its periods but we have the tickets to the movie sponsored by the National Honor Society sold for high school and junior college but our class couldn't attend. We're willing to give our undivided attention during class hours but when the bell rings we have after school things to do and we'd like to do them.

Reason for the Lack Of More Social Life

Why don't we have more social life? I'll tell you why. The students do not want it. If they did they would go to more socials. We would dance and very few attend. The ones that go usually do not dance very much. So why spend money on good things when no one wants them? The better answer to the griping is better attendance, better response, and more interest in social events we do have.

Most of you seem to like the new books we've been getting this year in the Junior College Library. That's fine. But did you ever think that somebody besides you will want to read those same books? That's why they're in the library.

Maybe whoever has "33 Lessons in Flytag" and "How to Fly a Plane" has learned something; but because those two books were taken from the library without being checked (the first week they were on the shelves) and have never been returned, some boy applying for the Air Corps didn't have the information he needed to pass his preliminary exams.

Book on Chemistry Missing
Maybe whoever has "Analytical Chemistry" is getting a good grade in Chemistry, but he (or she) is keeping about fifty other students from having a chance to learn something they might need to know sometime.

Stealing books from your own library or even absent-mindedly taking them and forgetting to return them, is a selfish and, right now, an unpatriotic thing to do. Some of the books missing are out of print and irreplaceable.

No Questions Asked If Returned
You'll all be gone two years from now, but there will be others who will need to use this library as much as you do and these books are important.

I guarantee that if you who have unchanged library books will return them, they will be accepted gladly with no questions asked. Please do help us get back some of our best, stray or stolen books!

—Alice Fields

War Stamp Booth Sales Over \$162

The junior college has had its own war stamp booth for four weeks. The booth is in the library open every Wednesday morning from 8:00 to 9:30 o'clock. The first week \$123.20 in stamps and bonds was sold, the second week, \$33.85, and the third week, \$25.20. The total for the three weeks is \$182.25. Defect stamps are sold in denominations of 10 cents, 25 cents, and one dollar. Books for the stamps will be given free with the first purchase.

"This project answers JJC's need for a way to contribute to the war effort," says Miss Alice Fields, faculty sponsor of the booth.

Counter-Attack

Gurubling is good for the soul; doubt, an indication of vitality of faith. In this world those who pull back often contribute as much as those who push forward.

Having by these God-like statements established my right to grumble, gripe, belittle or otherwise bemoan my lot, I shall proceed in my attempts to purge the world of evil as I see evil. You must know, though, before reading farther that I am writing as a teacher; and participating in this grumble edition of The Blazer carrying at various pedagogues, I am counter-attacking. I am not defending. Now perhaps you wish to stop reading here.

My criticism does not apply only to students of Joliet, but to all college students. I applied it to me as a student and I suppose it can be applied to succeeding generations. I find the students of Joliet Junior college no different from those of any other college. They are energetic, they are lazy; they are persevering, they are easily discouraged. They are brilliant and they are—shall I say—not brilliant. Their interests are similar to those of young people everywhere. Issues to them to standard, such as romance and marriage, a good job, financial security, prominence have, however, been so confused by war that students now merely wonder what they are going next. What will happen tomorrow? All of these, I say, are the common properties of the college student. Even the all-too-common property of the college student is the feeling that college is just an interruption in his progress towards these goals. It is a sort of purgatory in which a four-year probationary period must be spent before that heaven of the good job, the

financial security, etc. can be grasped. It is a command of mark time.

In consequence of such attitude we have this curse of all teachers—the student who is interested in doing merely enough work to get by. He would like high grades, but he isn't interested in working to get them. Usually he is quite capable of excellent marks, but the effort is too much. The grade, by the way, is the only thing that does interest him. The content of the course is of secondary importance. It is one of the necessary evils to be undergone before the attainment of the financial heaven.

Students waste time. They waste time when they think they are studying. My roommate used to spend at least thirty minutes dialing the radio to the program, removing his shoes (I shall always remember that part of the ritual), arranging the pillows, and filling his pipe. He would then go in search of his books, pencils, paper, etc., re-dial the radio, re-light his pipe—and study. Presently he would think of something interesting to tell me; and I confess, now and then I would think of something uninteresting to relate to him—and so he studied. At intervals, he gazed into space, and I knew he was thinking of Elizabeth. I was right. Soon he would announce that he must make a telephone call. After thirty minutes absence he would return. And so he studied, very, very hard, he thought.

Students who waste time when they think they are studying are perhaps deserving of sympathy. They are the ones who wonder what earth is the matter with themselves, their teachers, the courses or something. But the one I see after is the deliberate leader, who thinks he will exert himself only enough to pass his work and will save his energy until he gets into the big world, at which time he will roll up his sleeves and conquer. He will never conquer. A four-year life is a character-destructor. Such students will have as background for conquering, no curiosity and most important, no hubris of self-discipline. He will find that the world is less sympathetic towards him than his teachers have been.

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Revealing the Bare Facts of the Shower Room

Have you ever wondered what becomes of the old ragged towels which have been cast off scornfully by the high school gym classes? This is no longer a deep dark secret. Now the terrible truth can be told!

At one time the no-good-towel surplus was a vital question. What could be done with such a great quantity of nothing?

The China War Relief turned them down as "unfit for further use." The Aid to Russia Committee took one look at them and promptly rushed back to Russia. The final blow came when the Society for Sick and Dend Horner tactfully refused the donation of these elderly towels.

There was only one thing left to do—use them last resort. These bales bordered by thread were given to the college gym class. Yes, these lucky people actually get to use the famous old relics, not once a year, not only on special days—but every single gym day!!!

TOO MUCH GYM

Complain? Who me? Not on your life; but I do have a gripe that really gets me. Why must girls take gym? After all, we get enough exercise from WAA so it is. We are required to join one sport in WAA. Why not have gym as it was last semester? If the girls wanted to take it, they could; if not, they didn't have to. It would make much more harmony and happiness among the college women if only hours were required in WAA sports instead of certain hours a day under an instructor so that the class has to be held during lunch hour. If there's trouble in making girls go to gym, you can't make them, so why not make those who do go, happy? Use WAA hours for gym hours; meet the government requirement, and make the girls happy because they don't have to do something. All colleges give students a choice; why can't we? It's too difficult to have both gym and WAA. Girls try to participate in both WAA and gym and as a result do both poorly. How about it?

On Rambling Pedagogues

We have all had at some time or other, a teacher who persists in rambling while teaching a subject. (Censored) who teaches (censored) is such a one.

During the course of a lecture, this person often deviates from the original subject and give a discourse on the adventures of his childhood. This may be a subject important to the teacher, but to us students these childish adventures merely take up class time that we have paid for. I believe that more adherence to the subject and not so much philosophizing will make for better understanding of the subject by the students.

Another great fault of this teacher, and many others, is favoritism. All of us students are trying our best to understand a subject, and personalized instruction is not a detriment. But when a teacher chooses several of the better students, those who are A students, and favors upon them, helping them in their work and allowing them certain privileges that are not open to the entire class, that teacher is violating one of our fundamental rights. This is the right of a fair and equal chance to succeed.

Baseball Season Closes

Wilson Junior college of Chicago will form the opposition Monday, May 24, as the 1943 baseball season comes to an end for Joliet.

The game will be played at Richards Street field about 4 o'clock. Joe Schneider will start on the mound for the Wolves.

JC Nine Rained Out

The Junior college baseball season was interrupted this week because of rain. Scheduled games with Navy Pier Monday and with Meral on Tuesday were rescheduled for next week, and the Morion game was canceled.

Absence Blanks Are Antiquated

Is This a College?

Why can't we be treated like collegians? Put on our own and be treated like men and women? We're treated like high school kids. We feel just as if we're going to high school two years longer. One teacher has adopted the college custom of calling the students Miss or Mr. Would that be too difficult for all the professors to do?

What about the rec room? Why not have a radio and jukebox? Someone would probably be disgruntled enough to donate a record player. The kids would donate the records. Look at the room Illinois Hall! Why are we so restricted? Why not have curtains at the windows and over the door? We'd like to be in a room like that. Or rugs on the floor, Mosey? Don't think every junior collegian wouldn't be willing to do something to get things like that. We could be loyal if we had something to be proud of. We could be proud of a room opened up for our convenience and exclusive from the high school students. Then the library could be a place for concentration and study and the rec room could be for talking.

Perhaps the argument against the radio would be, "too much noise." A small radio with the doors closed couldn't make enough noise to disturb anyone. Just as furniture can make a house but not a home, so chairs and tables can furnish a room but you can't expect students to come in or be comfortable without the things they enjoy. Wreck things? Not when they belong to you and your fellow students.

FOR VICTORY



BUY
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Our Manners? Disgusting!

What this school needs is a course in etiquette. You all must have seen some of the disgusting exhibitions of ill manners which are part of life in the "rec" room. Women may be doing men's work in this war, but they are still entitled to respect. Of course it is not all entirely the boys' fault, for some girls deserve respect. The students in school might as well learn now as later that good manners are essential to success.

JJC GRADUATES

Have you checked the spelling of your name on the bulletin board?

NET TEAM BOWS TO OPPONENTS

Joliet Junior College net men have been slated to play a large schedule, but owing to inclement weather three matches have been postponed.

On May 6, Joliet was defeated by Elmhurst college of Wheaton, a four year college, 6-0. On May 8, Joliet took the measure of Aurora college 4-2 and on May 12 lost to Wilson Junior college 3-2.

The Junior College State tennis meet held at the University of Chicago courts was postponed because of rain on May 15.

At the present time the team is as follows: Bill Wunderlich, no. 1 man, Ralph H. Brown, Bill Lessor, George Walters, and Bob Semichol, in that order.

Why JC Is Losing Its Sports Record

Let's keep the ball rolling. Ever since A. A. Willis has been coach at JJC he has developed championship teams. His teams have been made up of fellows like John Jones and Bill Smith. Yes, fellows like you and you and you. Last semester Coach Willis turned out a second-place basketball team with an all-freshman squad.

This spring when the call for baseball season was given, there were not more than 16 men who came out for the team.

Let's help Coach Willis keep his swell record at JC and help keep up the record of JC.

BOOKS DUE FRIDAY

Miss Alice Fields, JC library, announced that all library books should be returned by Friday, May 26.

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Adam Awards To Be Presented June 10 At Commencement

Ann Andrews

Commencement exercises this year will be held Thursday, June 10, 1942 at 8 o'clock in the combined gymnasiums. It will be a combined exercise of both JJC and JTHS.

George McCarthy, head of the speech department of South Dakota State college at Brookings, South Dakota, will give the address, entitled, "I Pledge Allegiance."

Reverend J. Edgar Pearson will give the invocation and benediction. Mr. M. H. Hollingsworth, president of the board of education, will present the diplomas to both the JJC and JTHS graduates. The girls chorus and orchestra will supply the music.

Roosevelt Basler, superintendent, will present the Robert M. Adams awards. The award is given for two classes of student achievement: for the first classification, distinctive achievement in scholarship, the sec-

Students Now Air Cadets

Two former JJC boys, now in the army, are awaiting a call to begin training as air cadets. They are Don Peterson and Cliff Mulberger, both of the class of '44, both drafted in April.

After entering the army they took and passed the army air cadet exam. At the present time both boys are going through basic training; Peterson in St. Petersburg, Florida, and Mulberger in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Literary Supplement Pages

Included in this, the last issue of The Blazer is a partial literary supplement. It has in it several commendable stories and themes turned in to JJC rhetoric teachers during the last semester.

and for outstanding success in music, art, or any phase of the general life of the school. Both kinds of success are noted publicly before the school at the time the awards are presented.

Astronomy Display Placed in Library

Betty Friberg

An astronomical display near the east wall of the JJC library commemorates the 400th anniversary of the death of Copernicus.

The Joliet Astronomical society sponsored by Robert Price, was formed as an outgrowth of the astronomy courses offered in JJC. The early members were interested in telescope making and observation, but the club is now a cultural organization.

Mr. Price borrowed the two copper etchings from the Misses Alice and Marguerite Dembrowska, Joliet business women. Marguerite Dembrowska has traveled extensively through Europe and Alice Dembrowska is an accomplished musician.

The etchings are copies of painting by Jan Matejko and Arthur Seyk. The small etching is a copy of a painting of Copernicus from Krakow, Poland while the brochures were put out by the Koncinski Foundation for the rehabilitation of Polish refugee students and teachers.

At the time of the program of the 400th anniversary of the death of Copernicus the guest speaker of the Astronomical society meeting was Janusz Stampowski, former ornament manufacturer who went through the fall of Poland and France. He now is the director of the Polish Information Center in Chicago.

51 JJC Students Have Gone Into Service Since September

Marion Palmer

In this month of June, 51 junior collegians are scattered throughout service camps in all parts of the country. These 51 fellows have left at intervals during the school year for seven different branches of the armed forces.

Those serving in the army, are William Marvick, Art Barnes, George Seelink, Duward Killinger, Kent McCarthy, Nick Radzickovich, Ias Crabb, Milton Lewis, George McKay, Bob Potter, Ed Farrell, Newton Davis, Gus Karos, Dominic Principali, Frank Schaidt, Ralph Smith, Walt Leuhers, George Wiktor, Dick Lowery, Bill Roth and Dick Leidig.

The army air corps has recruited: John Klipfner, Bob Campbell, Bob Tatro, Cliff Mulberger, Don Peterson, Bob Goodson, John Grahame, George Pogras, Howard Peterson, Chris Christofore, Earl Carlson, Bob Osbourne, Bob Todd, Dick Seeman, Ray Goodson, Bruce Frederickson, Nick Kuehler and Dick Berkey.

Those in the navy are: George Woodworth, George Kunk, Tom Lewis, and Frank Tezak. Members of the navy air corps are: Dick Joutan, Ed Telf, Walter Leonard, George Hoskins and Don Hase.

One JJC student is a member of the marine corps, Charles Woods. The one person in the merchant marine so far is Ted Bogdan.

Training at Holy Name Technical school is Phil Hennon.

JJC Picnic at Phillips Park

Lavine, Reilly Head Committees for Event

Rich Northa

The annual junior college picnic will be held Monday, June 7, at Phillips Park in Aurora.

It will be an all day affair. Bonting golfing, and swimming have been planned for entertainment. Food will be served at the picnic by the committee.

The committee is headed by Tom Reilly and Evelyn Lavine. Fyv Brunson is head of refreshments. Transportation is headed by Les Robinson and Evelyn Lavine is taking care of the publicity.

So far there are only ten cars, enough to transport 60 people. Dates are critical. The committee asks that anyone else who can furnish a car for transportation sign up promptly.

Baccalaureate Services Will Be Held June 6

Baccalaureate exercises will be held June 6 at 8 o'clock in the JTHS auditorium. The sermon, "Life in the Making," will be given by Reverend W. R. Morgan, Ph. D., pastor of the Ottawa Street Methodist church.

The invocation and benediction will be given by Reverend R. P. Blatt, pastor of the First Baptist church. The A Cappella choir and orchestra will furnish music.

Writers Get Credit Lines

Nearly all news stories in this issue of The Blazer have by-lines to give the writers of the past semester at least partial credit for writing they have done for the paper.

A Statement from Dean Yaggy

To The Blazer Staff and its Sponsors:

Since this is the last issue of The Blazer for the school year I wish to express my personal appreciation of your efforts.

You have worked hard to get the news and have written it up in a so attractive manner. You have produced a paper which has maintained a high standard of school loyalty and one that we are glad to mail to our exchanges.

The publicity you have given our school activities has done much to produce a proper school spirit in spite of the many disturbing influences produced by the war.

To the members of the staff, to the faculty sponsors, and to all who have contributed articles this year, I wish to say, "Thank you."

Sincerely yours, I. D. Yaggy, Dean



First picture, seated from left to right are: Edwin Swanson, Rosemarie Isaac, Catherine Tracy, Betty Howard, and Charles Salke, who are busy cramming for final exams. Second picture: Bob Henderson is pictured working on a television set which he hopes to have complete soon. Third picture, "Rec Room Reckers." From left to right: Walard Rowley, George Milton, and Louis Fifer.

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Another Year Under Our Belts

Of the 43 editorials printed in The Blazer during the past year most were the beginnings of successful campaigns.

A question of JJC's interest in war stamp sales was brought up in an issue last fall. It was urged that a junior college organization take up the sponsorship of a war stamp booth. Nothing happened until the high school learned to a 95 per cent purchasing average and won a Minute Man flag. More plans for a JJC booth were made but none were answered until The Blazer, represented by Betty Barrett, a staff member, and Miss Alice Fields, librarian, decided to sponsor the booth. In four weeks the booth sold over \$168 worth of war stamps and bonds.

Among other editorials printed this last year was one thinking nil concerned for the Red Cross and urging the students to keep it theirs by properly caring for it. They have.

A blowup was caused early last fall when The Blazer stated its policy. Objections were made to its refusal to be a scandal sheet for the cliques or groups that would invariably take over the columns. An attempt was made to submit a column, but it failed when very little readable material could be found to fill it. Since then there has been no column and there has been no comment on its absence but much on the increased news value of the paper.

JJC Students Stuck to Their Guns

The students of JJC should be commended for the way they have continued their studying even with the war hysteria they encountered on all sides.

In times such as these it is very easy to ease off the road to higher education to one of many forks enticing you away. High wages, business opportunities, good jobs, specialized training, to mention only a few, are extremely inviting to college youth.

True, these opportunities are great. But after the war many of these jobs will be discontinued or present soldiers will come back to their old positions.

A college education after the war will be more necessary than ever before. As after the first World War, high school graduates got all the choice jobs, so after this war will college graduates get all the better education.

To be able to stick to one's guns in time of crisis is a commendable task, and JJC students have done it.

Thanks for Your Help

We of The Blazer staff would like to thank you students of JJC for all the helpful criticism we have given us during the past year.

You have all stood by in critical times when we needed help and you were always willing to help in solving many of the problems we encountered.

Thanks for the assistance you gave to the yellow edition are especially necessary. Had it not been for the cooperation of the JJC students such an issue would not have been possible.

Thanks, too, are due Miss Grace Tippet, journalism instructor and sponsor of The Blazer, Donald Imig and Herbert Worfel of the JTHS print shop, for all the assistance they have given us in the publishing of the paper. They were always on hand to give helpful advice whenever it was needed.

Pseudonym

Betty Howard

If anyone ever asks me, Buck Norris, USMC, for some practical advice, I'll say with no hesitations, "Always mind your own business!" This girl hand on my third finger, left hand, is the result of the one time I forgot this policy. If you're interested, I'll tell you my story. Okay? Swell!

Well, I guess it begins the day after Pearl Harbor. Still following my policy of sticking strictly to my own nose, I enlisted in the Marines. Now maybe you're thinking I was sticking my chin out, but I knew the war was my business.

Anyway, I was sent off to boot camp at San Diego, and there I met up with a fellow, Joe Drake, from Los Angeles. We were buddies from the start. We did almost everything together and alike, but there was one difference. Everyday at mid call Joe got at least two letters. Me, I got bills—and only once a month at that.

Joe had never seemed to notice this, but one day I was reading a letter, he asked, "Bucky, ain't you got any letter writers in your family? Got my friends back home who write?"

I saw hated to admit it, but I had no family, and my friends had forgotten me after the second week of my hitch.

Joe mumbled something about being sorry and tossed the letter over to me. "Maybe you'd like to write to this little 'dosh.' I get enough letters to keep me busy writing. Besides, Myrtle, my girl friend, wouldn't like it if I started writing to another girl."

I agreed with Joe that it would be pretty nice to hear once in a while from someone, a girl especially, but I argued, too, that I was bottling into something private. That "dosh" had written to Joe, not to me.

Joe got a little mad then. He managed to hold his temper long enough to explain that this girl was a stranger to him and that there was nothing private about the letter.

To keep peace in our friendship, I said all right, but Joe'd have to let me do it in my own way. I was to use Joe's name and address. He was to see that I got the letters as he received them. We also agreed not to discuss it further.

Millie Malone, the "dosh," and I struck up a friendly acquaintance through our correspondence. She wrote almost everyday and so did I. She told me all about her work at a U. S. O. Center in Los Angeles and the Red Cross work she was doing. She even sent me a monster she had knitted at the Red Cross, but she refused to do one herself. She wouldn't describe herself and wouldn't send even a snapshot of herself.

Her answer to my request for a picture went something like this, "Let's keep this just a pleasant friendship without any romantic ideas."

The fellows in my barracks including Joe were sure that she was pigeon-tooth, fat and forty. Their kidding irked me a lot, but I pretended

that I didn't care. I never mentioned the subject to them again, but I did mention it in a few of my letters to Millie. When she ignored my questions, I dropped the subject.

It was three months after I finished boot training when the C. O. okayed my application for a furlough—fifteen whole days away from K. P. duty and Sergeant Board! I decided to go to Los Angeles and maybe to look up Millie at the U. S. O. Center. Joe thought the Los Angeles part a swell idea, but he tried to talk me out of seeing Millie. After all, it was pretty obvious that she didn't want to get acquainted with me except through the mail. But I had made up my mind to get a look at my "correspondent," and no one could change it. Joe finally gave up by saying, "All right! But don't let her know you're coming, or you'll find yourself stood up."

I took Joe's advice and didn't mention my furlough plans to Millie. When I got to Los Angeles, I went right to the U. S. O. Center to find her. I asked at the information desk for Miss Malone. The junior hostess pointed to a woman standing near the piano and said, "That's Millie Malone there. Shall I call her over?"

I wanted to shout, "No, thank you!" Millie, you see, was at least forty, fat like the boys had said, and knock-kneed instead of pigeon-toed. I sure didn't want to do the town with her.

I apologized to the hostess for causing her any trouble and explained that I had made a mistake. I was feeling pretty low when I headed for Red Cross Headquarters to find out about a place to stay and entertainment open to servicemen. As I left the headquarters I was directed to the reception desk and Miss Peggy Monroe. When she smiled and said hello, I felt like melted paraffin. I tried to listen carefully while she was giving me the information about a hotel and the regular servicemen's centers. In the back of my mind I was trying to figure out how to ask her for a date.

Finally, I hit on a plan. When she had finished talking, I explained that this was my first trip to L. A. and that I was almost sure to get lost. She laughed teasingly and said, "Well, Private Norris, if you'll wait about fifteen minutes, I'll see if I can help. The Marines can't afford to lose a good man like you."

She came back in a few minutes with a carefully drawn map directing me to the hotel. It was really a treasure map because the envelope it was drawn on also had her address on the back of it.

We were married a week later. Then it happened I received orders to report back, to base immediately. Peggy was on duty at the hospital when this message came. I tried frantically to reach her, but couldn't, and had to leave without saying goodbye.

When I got back to base, the fellows in my barracks told me they had the straight dope that we were pulling out that night. I figured my-

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EDDIE

Ann Andrews

The expression "nice things come in small packages" certainly doesn't apply to Eddie Engstrom. He must have weighed close to two hundred and fifty pounds. This is a lot of bulk to be packed into five feet ten inches of height, but Ed's grandmother is a marvelous cook, and he loves to eat. One day in the meat market he was buying six pork chops, and explained to me that Gram was away, and Grand didn't eat meat, so this would be enough.

He was known and liked by everyone in the class of '42. Everyone had a good word for him. I believe he had as many friends as he had pounds. He was a wholesome, smiling, happy boy. He had no thought for clothes. His shirt was always hanging out. Evidently the porkchops kept him warm, because he never wore a coat. The children of the neighborhood waited for his jokes and always hoped he would stop to play with them. Engstrom playing "horsechoc" was quite a sight. I think he liked it.

He played on the JTHS football team and during practice in his junior year broke his ankle and was unable to play at that season. In his senior year he was captain of the team.

I lived next door to him and we often ran to and from school together—to school because we were late and home because Ed was hungry. He didn't especially like girls, and he explained being with me was just the "good neighbor racket".

Then Ed went away to Drake University. He wanted to be an athletic director, but something happened. His clothes got too big. He took up dancing, raved about glamorous coeds, and got interested in psychology. He is in the army now. Perhaps, he may change again? —

THEMES

Bill Wunderlich

Have you ever had to stay up all night and work on a theme that you due the following day? You say you have? Lots of fun, isn't it?

It's three o'clock, the theme is about half finished, and you feel as though you haven't been asked for at least two weeks. This is the time of night when your vocabulary seems to have dwindled to nothing, and you are left staring at the paper with not a single thought running through your head. At this stage of the game it is time to take a rest and get a drink of water. Of course you have lost all sense of direction, but you walk, supposedly, toward the bathroom. About the third step you find your foot dangling in midair with nothing for it to come down on. Having missed the hall to the bathroom and walked off the top of the staircase instead, you light with a crash on the landing one story below. After examining yourself and finding that a bone has been broken in your right leg, you just get up and carry on with the one that is left. After all, that theme is not so tough, and you may have a teacher who will argue with you until you

Double Feature Love

Leonard Lilyers

Shirley Powers—P. F. C. John Raymond Powers of the United States Army—looked first at the envelope in his hand and then at the mailbox. He had been looking back and forth at them ever since he'd come into town.

The letter was addressed to Mary Jones, P. O. Box 55, Orchard, Ohio, and for the courage it required to mail it, you would think he was proposing instead of writing:

Dear Mary,

I've just finished reading a book from our library, and it had your name and address in it as the giver. It isn't very often that a soldier gets time to read, so when he does he wants a good book. And "Come to the River" was just that.

Some of the books we get here range from the Elsie Dinmore type to the "Outlines of History," so it's a pleasure to find someone who knows what soldiers like to read.

I expect to be transferred to Camp Lenson, which is just a few miles from Orchard, very soon. Maybe then we can get together, and I can thank you in person for being thoughtful. Sincerely, John A. Smith

It had taken Shirley two days to write that, two days in which he endured the gibes of his bunkmates and the taunts of his buddies. Now, debating whether or not to mail it, he wondered if Mary Jones would think he was a woff.

Finally he took a deep breath and dropped the envelope into the mail box. There, it was done. Whew!

However, he didn't feel any better. Maybe he shouldn't have sent it. He stared at his G. I. shoeleaves.

The next few days were agony for Shirley. When a week had gone by he felt better; she wasn't going to answer him. Then he got mad. What difference did it make, he told himself, what a girl in Orchard, Ohio, thought about him. The least she could do was thank him for his letter.

But when he saw the pale blue envelope addressed to him in an unknown handwriting, he could hardly wait to open it. He tore half the letter in his excitement, and his hand shook so that for a moment the words wavered in front of his eyes: Dear John,

I was so pleased to get your note telling me how much you enjoyed

haven't even one leg to stand on.

A few hours later the folks get up and say, "Why you poor dear boy! Have you been up all night studying?"

"Come to the River." It made me want to rush down and send you lots more, but I finally calmed down.

However, I am sending you one which I think you will enjoy. I hope it reaches you before you're transferred here, because then we will have two books to talk about when we have our "gettogether."

Here I am assuming that we are going to have it, when maybe by now you've forgotten all about me. But I do think it would be lots of fun to meet each other sometime.

Sincerely,

Mary

Shirley read the letter once, then twice. It would be fun to meet her. He hoped his transfer would go through soon.

But the weeks passed and the letters flew back and forth and Shirley was still as near to Orchard as Mary had changed from books to descriptions of themselves and their jobs, and he was beginning to want to meet her.

At last it came through. Shirley packed in a blaze. All through the long train ride his thoughts were on the coming meeting: what would she be like? Picking it down on paper was one thing, but, well—he'd stretched his right a bit. They should have exchanged pictures, he decided. She never said a word about glasses, but if she read so much—she was more nervous, he decided, than if he were going into action.

On his first leave from Camp Lenson he wandered through the town. He had forgotten something very important in his excitement: to make arrangements for meeting her in his last letter. Here he was now with only a post office box as an address.

The sound of music from the USO attracted his attention and he wandered in. Maybe someone there knew Mary. He stood forlornly in the doorway.

"Dance, soldier!"

He looked down at the dark-haired girl. "Sure." He decided to himself that he'd ask about Mary later.

Later, much later, he suddenly remembered her.

"Know a Mary Jones?" he asked.

The girl laughed. "My name's Mary Anne Jones," she said, "and I think I'm the only one in town."

"My name's John Powers," he said, but his thoughts were racing. Mary Jones must have been just a name she'd picked. He was mad until he remembered that he had changed his name. Oh, well, he was having fun with Mary Anne. Mary Jones was just the name of a girl he used to write to. He wasn't going to anyone. He'd be too busy, seeing a lot of Mary Anne Jones.

TRAPEZE ARTISTS

Catherine McGlinis

When the new gym program was inaugurated, all the girls were very unhappy about the situation. It came on so suddenly we weren't prepared for it. Ever since I can remember, the exercises given to us were very simple things that required practically no effort. The games we played were just recreational, and not strenuous. Then out of a clear sky the gym department tried to make "Amateur Women" out of us. For days we huddled around barely able to propel ourselves up and down the stairs. Getting out of bed in the morning, after having gym, was equivalent to a W. P. A. project. It seemed that just as we were able to move without crashing, it was time to have gym again.

After weeks of this, we suddenly realized the exercises were much easier. I went home, and proudly showed my mother all the wonderful feats I had accomplished. Of course, she didn't appreciate them, because they look simple until you try to do them. Now we enjoy gym, and each week sees improvement in our abilities. Along with the exercises, we have been given work on Lairs, rings, and trapezes. Now, most of us can "fly through the air" like troopers. I am sure this training will have a lasting benefit. We are not as "soft" as we were a few months ago. As for me, it's a lot of fun, when you know how. —

Alum notes

Lucille Greenberg, '42, now a Junior at the University of Illinois, has been pledged to Theta Sigma Phi fraternity. It is an honorary journalistic organization.

Pvt. Virgil L. Johnson, Hqs. and Hq. Sq. Bn. 112 Material Command, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio

Ovid Fraser, '41, has been assigned to the ground crew for B-17, "Flying Fortress," work. He is stationed at Lewistown, Montana.

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Freshmen Carried Fall Sports Burden

Bob Long

Couch A. A. Wills' prospects for a good sports year looked mighty slim when school opened last September. The only men to answer the call as golf team candidates were freshmen. Surprisingly, these freshmen came through and finished in second place in the junior college conference. The four freshmen were Ray Goudson, Nick Kuebler, Cliff Mullarger and Wayne White.

Following the golf season Couch Wills issued a call for basketball players and once again only freshmen answered the call. However, the freshmen came through again and gave Joliet second place honors in both the conference schedule and the state tournament.

The team had a successful season and lost a few four year schools, such as Illinois Wesleyan and Concordia. In what was one of the best games of the year, the JJC cagers beat a strong Navy Per five in an overtime match on the local floor.

The boys who carried the bulk of the season were Don Peterson, Ian Crabbs, Cliff Mullarger, Ray Martin, Ralph Gruben, Will Roth, Nick Kuebler, George Wilcox, Bob Long, Bill Schmidt and Jack Burger.

WAA-GAA Decorate Room

The freshly painted walls and furniture and new slip covers which improve the appearance of the WAA room were the work of the members of the WAA cabinet. During Easter vacation Evelyn Lavine, Jackie Waldman and Jayne Pohl, along with members of the GAA cabinet, did this work.

Get Your New Straw Hat

John J. McCarthy

77 North Chicago Street

WAA ENDS BUSY YEAR WITH PICNIC

Betty Friberg

The WAA's activities drew to a close for this year with the Mother and Daughter picnic, held on May 27, at Hammill Woods.

The years activities began with initiation. New members were required to attend school without makeup and minus lobby pins in their hair. On the last day of initiation the freshmen came to school all dressed up in heels, hats and dresses but minus the makeup. The first general meeting was held in September and officers and heads of sports were elected.

A few of the fall sports that began then were swimming, football, archery, co-reo, orchestra and tap.

The WAA sponsored the Harvest Hop on October 30, and Dad's Night on November 15. The Mother and Daughter tea on December 10, and a Senior Girls' tea on April 30 completed the social events of the year.

Spring sports, tennis, golf, riding, basketball and outing club, kept the members interested and busy to the end of the year.

Tennis Team Better Than Average-Larson

Rich Martin

Joliet Junior college tennis was limited to a spring sport this school year. E. A. Larson, tennis coach, considered this year's team better than average.

Wilson was the only junior college that came in to tennis this year. The remainder of the schedule had to be played with four year colleges.

On May 6 Joliet was defeated by one of the strongest four year colleges in this section of the state: Elmhurst 6, Joliet 6. May 8 saw Joliet take Aurora college 4-2. Joliet lost a close match to Wilson Junior college 3-2 on May 12. Aurora college was again defeated by JJC 4-2 May 22.

The Illinois Junior college state tournament was held on the University of Chicago Courts Saturday.

Men who played in the matches are: Will Roth, Bill Wunderlich, Ralph Herman, George Walters, Bob Senistokel, Jack Bergen and Bill Lester.

Bill Lester, who had only 63 college hours, was ineligible for conference games but played in other matches as number three man.

Pseudonym

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he I could call Peggy or send a wire but Sergeant Board informed me with malicious pleasure that we were in official quarantine and that no messages were to be sent from camp.

We pulled out that night—all of us except Joe. He was held back to serve as an instructor. His staying behind and my losing touch with Peggy hit me pretty hard, and I guess I was half mad company on ship-board.

After a two-day stop at Pearl Harbor, we upped anchor and headed for a rendezvous with a task force. We knew that we were finally going to get a crack at the Japnats.

During the first week on Guadalcanal I was put out of action by a Jap grenade and moved back to a hospital in Australia. I spent two months there taking special treatments that the doctors hoped would save my eyesight.

Those two months gave me a lot of time to think and in fact I felt sorry for myself. I began to figure that Peggy never had really cared for me. I almost convinced myself that what I'd thought was love was just glimmer-blindness. Even the doctor's news that I was going back to the States didn't help.

The first week-end after I entered the Los Angeles Marine Hospital, Joe came to visit me and to persuade me to write to Millie again. He had some letters that she had written recently. I tried to explain to him all about Peggy and how I was off of all women for good, but Joe wouldn't take no for an answer. I finally agreed to give it a try.

When the nurse came in the next morning, I asked her if she'd write a letter for me. She explained that she was on duty and couldn't spare the time, but she promised to send one of the Nurse's Aides in to help me.

In a few minutes this girl came in and sat down. I handed her Millie's letters and told her to send the letters to the address on the envelopes. Then I started dictating.

I started back with the arrangement Joe had made with me about the letters. Then I told her about my furlough, Peggy, and my orders to report back to base. I guess I went overboard about Peggy because I hadn't gotten over her. I explained why I was back in the States and why I had decided to write to her again. I finished by telling her that I'd understand if she didn't answer.

I settled back in my pillows and

waited. Finally, the girl began reading. "Dear Joe"—my heart skipped a beat when I recognized that voice. It was my Peggy's! She went on reading.

"I'm going to tell you a story that begins after the war started. I was feeling pretty lonely. I got the idea that maybe war work would cure that loneliness."

I started working at the U.S.O. and the Red Cross. I made friends with Millie Malone and told her all about it. She gave me Joe's address and suggested that I write to him. She even said that I could use her name and address. I tried it, and as you know, we became good friends through our letters. I refused to send my picture or to describe myself because I was afraid that that might spoil our friendship.

"Then came that week when we met, had our first date, and found out how much we meant to each other. Suddenly you were gone. There was no word from you and no way for me to reach you."

"When I told Millie about it, she tried to comfort me, but I knew, too, that she was trying to tell me that I had been deserted, forgotten. I know now how foolish it was, but I began to believe it myself."

"To try to forget the whole thing, I turned to my work. I volunteered for double-shift work at the plant. That didn't help. I did everything that I could at the Red Cross and at Civilian Defense Headquarters from pinning labels on children's nightgowns to airplane spotting on Norton Height."

"Still something was missing. I wanted to be important to one person again. That's what helped me to decide to write to Joe once more. I was glad when he didn't answer because I was sure that no one could take my place."

She stopped talking then, and—well, you can guess the rest.

Like I said in the beginning, it pays to mind your own business, but confidentially, I've never been sorry that I forgot to mind my own business.

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